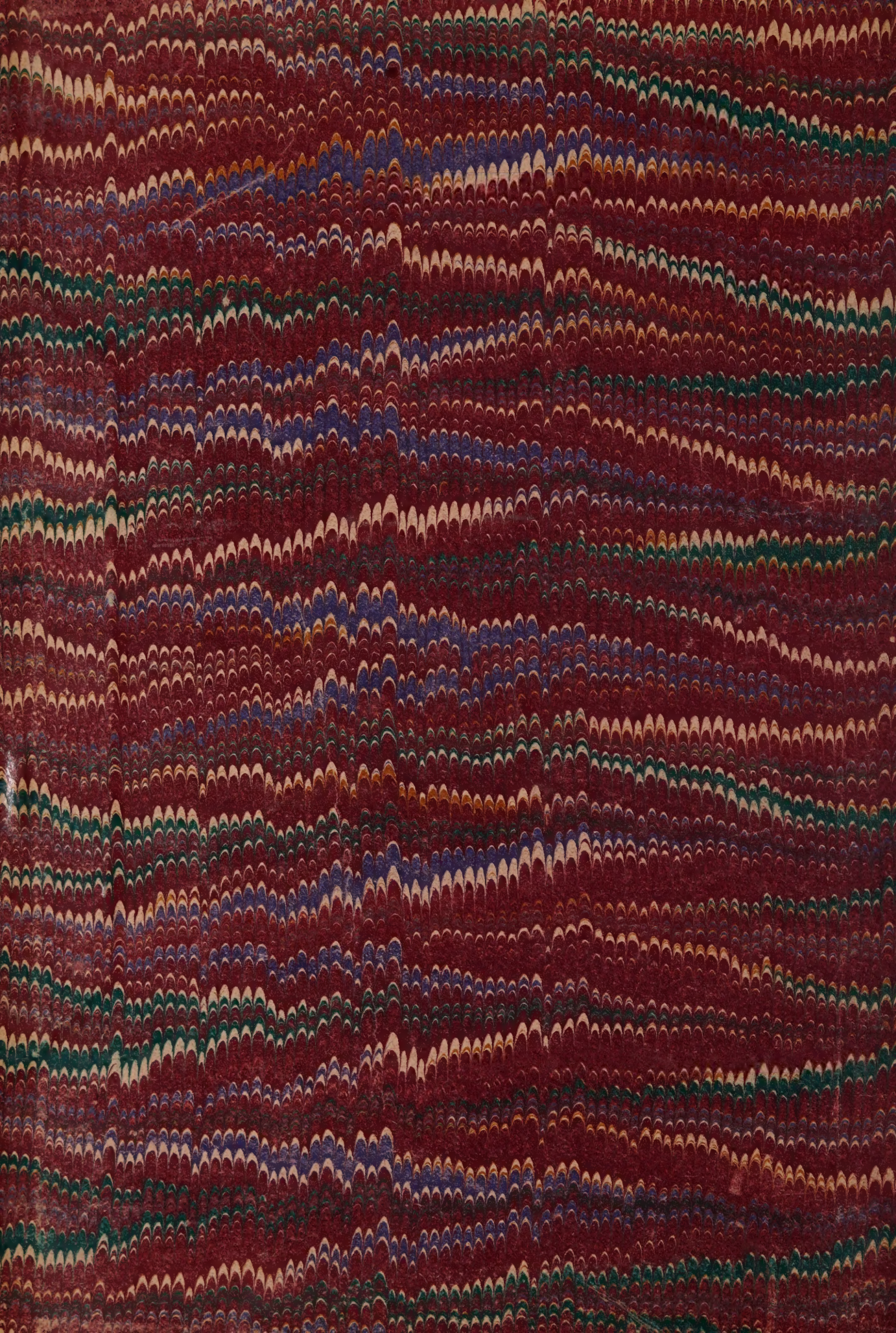

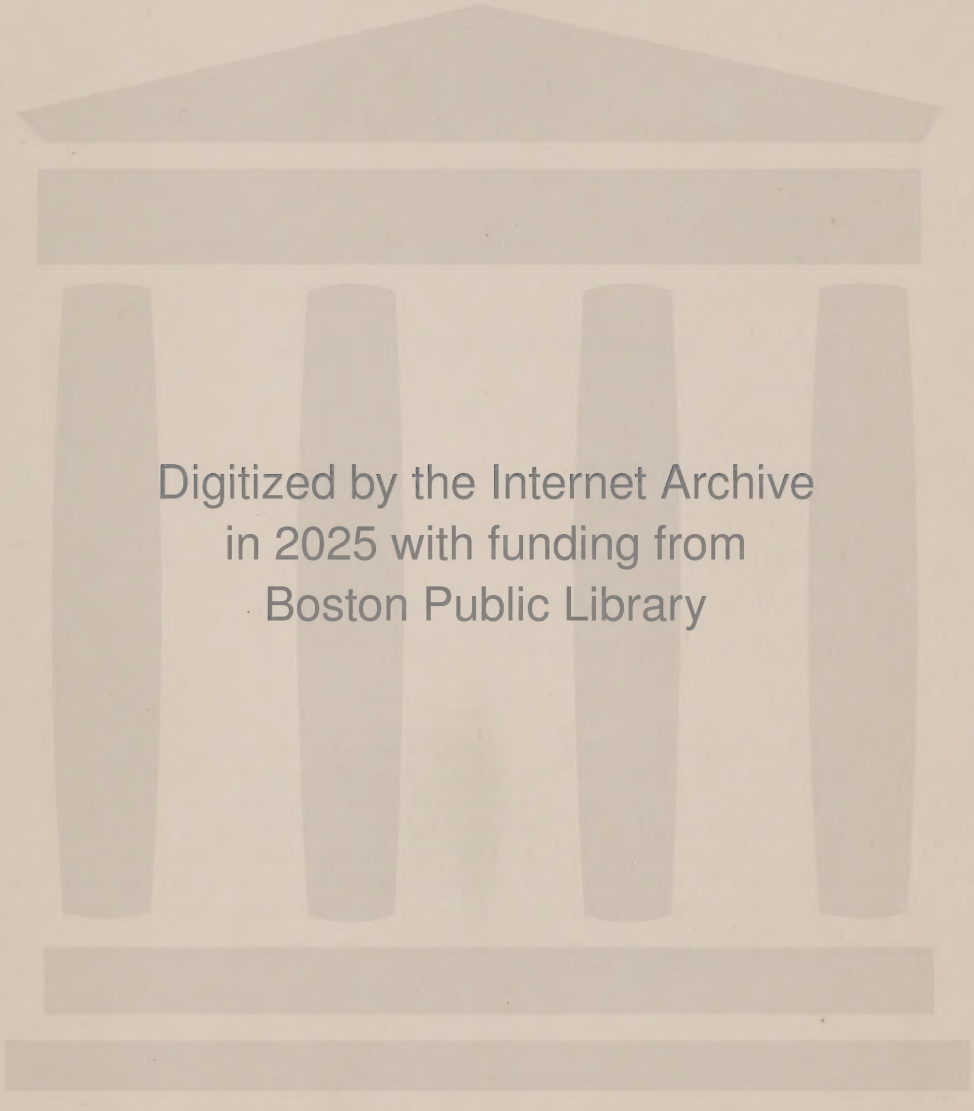
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WITH AN INTRODUCTION

(FOR THE COMBINED REGISTER AND RECORD)

EXPLAINING ITS USE TO PASTORS AND CHURCH CLERKS; CONTAINING ALSO SUGGESTIONS AS TO A PRACTICAL WAY OF KEEPING A PARISH REGISTER, WITH HINTS AND FORMS FOR RECORDING THE TRANSACTIONS OF A CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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PREFACE

To the Combined Register and Record.

THIS book is intended to furnish to the churches of our order the forms for a complete and condensed Register and Record. It has a place for all that is essential and for more than is usually recorded by the clerks of our churches. It is based on the experience of a pastor of systematic habits who has had to do with model church clerks. It is simpler than other books made for the same purpose and lower in price. This last is especially true of the edition intended for the newer and smaller churches.

A place is prepared for the register of Pastors, Deacons, other officers, Delegates appointed by the church, Baptisms, Members Received, Members Removed, Marriages, Charities and Expenses, an Annual Summary of the figures furnished for the Year-Book, and a page for the statistics of the Sunday-school. To this there are added in the smaller edition pages for records of organization and church meetings, and in the larger, where a separate book for records is desirable (which is published under the name of "The Pilgrim Church Record"), an alphabetical index. This, it is believed, comprises all which any church really needs to keep a complete account of its transactions and condition.

In the register of Members Received the numbers in the left-hand column should be consecutive, the names being recorded according to the date of reception. This same number should be repeated wherever the name of the person to whom it refers is used in the lists of officers or members.

In the page of Charities our seven denominational societies are named in the order in which they appear in the Year-Book. Other objects may be written in. Each perpendicular column stands for one year; the totals may thus be easily added. The amounts given to each object should include all money which has gone to it through the church treasurer, the Sunday-school, and any of the organized missionary societies of the church.

The suggestions following are commended to the attention of Clerks and Pastors.

GEO. M. BOYNTON,

Secretary Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society.

TO CHURCH CLERKS.

Suggestions as to the Records of a Church.

As it is frequently the case that the duties of Church Clerk are laid upon those who have had no experience in such work, it has been thought wise to give a few practical suggestions and forms for recording the ordinary business of a church.

In the matter of organization it is of importance and of increasing interest as the years pass by, to have a full and exact history recorded of the beginnings of a Christian church.

If it has not been done at the time, let each Church Clerk procure the facts in regard to the first steps which led to the organization, and the first preliminary meeting, with the names of those present. If the Sunday-school was at the foundation of the church, write an account of that, by whom gathered, the numbers at the beginning, etc. Be sure and record the vote by which the organization was determined. Record in full the Constitution and Articles of Faith and Covenant adopted; and, if the church is legally incorporated, a copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

Only *records of church meetings* should be entered in this book. If the church committee keep records of their doings, it should be in a separate book and not among the records of the church.

What to enter in the records.—It is not necessary nor usually advisable to record discussions or the names of those taking part in them, or of the movers of resolutions. The records are of the things which have been resolved and voted by the church, and should be confined strictly to these.

The important things to be entered are:—1. The time and place of meeting. 2. The devotional services with which the meeting is opened. 3. The name of the moderator. 4. The reading of records of past meetings and their approval by the church. 5. The reports of committees accepted and by vote placed on file (not to be copied into the minutes but referred to.) 6. The recommendations of committees adopted, or the resolutions or motions passed by vote of the church. 7. The adjournment. 8. The signature of the Clerk.

The records of *the Annual Meeting* should be made with especial care. The fact that the notice was given as required by the Constitution of the church should be stated, and the reports received, elections of officers, and votes of the meeting should be carefully recorded. It is not necessary nor wise to enter in the records the names of those who receive votes but are not elected, nor the number of votes cast for or against any officer who is elected. The fact of the election and the mode, as by ballot or acclamation, are enough.

In *meetings relating to the call of a pastor*, it is customary to record the votes more fully; to spread upon the records the letter extending the call to him, and his answer thereto, and the appointment of the committee to arrange for a council, if one is held, and the reference of this action to the society for their concurrence, if that is a necessary part of the action.

The following forms for recording the ordinary transactions of a church meeting are given, not as the only right way, but as a simple and correct mode of expressing the facts:—

Time, Place, etc.

A meeting of the Church was held at [place, month, day, year, hour, P.M. or A.M.], [the Pastor, Deacon ———, or Bro.———] in the chair. Prayer was offered by [———].

The Records of the last [or ———number of previous meetings] were read and approved.

Reports of Committees.

The Committee on ——— reported in writing and their report was accepted and ordered on file; [or] reported verbally and their report was accepted and the following recommendation adopted:—[here quote exactly the recommendation thus adopted].

Votes and Resolutions.

It was Voted that [here record the question exactly as put by the moderator]; or, *It was Resolved* that:— [here copy the resolution, which should always be presented in writing by the mover].

Reception to Membership.

The Church Committee reported that the following persons had presented letters of dismission and recommendation to this church, namely:—

Mr. ——— ——— and Mrs. ——— ———, his wife, from the ——— Church of ———; also, Miss ..———, from the ——— Church of ———. The committee recommend that they be received to its membership, on entering into covenant with the Church. Also, that ——— ——— and ——— ——— be received upon confession of their faith and entering into covenant. The recommendation was adopted.*

Church Discipline.

Mr. ——— ———, having absented himself from the meetings of this church for ——— years, and refusing to recognize his covenant obligations to it after faithful effort on the part of the Church; [or] having been absent from this place for ——— years and the Church being unable to ascertain his address or to communicate with him; [or] having become a persistent violater of the———Commandment and refusing to amend his life [or any other careful statement of the facts of the case], is hereby declared to be no longer in the communion of this Church.

Adjourned.

(Signed.)

——— ——— [Clerk.]

*The record may be completed by a note signed by the Clerk, as follows;—[Note.] The above persons were thus publicly received on Sunday [month, day].

[Forms for Letters Missive for organizations, for ordination or installation, for certificates of licensure and ordination, for letters of dismission, etc., can be found in The Pilgrim Pastor's Manual and in Dexter's Handbook. Those in most common use are also printed on heavy paper, full letter size, with blanks for filling in names and dates, by the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society, at 5 cents each, 12 copies for 25 cents, postpaid.]

TO PASTORS.

While a register is indispensable to a Church Clerk, it is a great convenience and aid to the Pastor to keep a similar book for himself, for his present use and for his permanent possession. It will often prove a help in securing accuracy on the part of the Clerk, by at least annual comparison when the report is made for the state minutes.

A suggestion is also offered, which has been found of practical advantage by the writer, as to the best way, especially in a large church, of keeping an accurate PARISH REGISTER, or list of families. This is by the use of the card catalogue system which is employed in all our large libraries. In a changing parish an alphabetical list of families and their members, in a book, soon becomes involved in confusion. What with erasures and insertions the original order and connection cannot be maintained. The following plan works admirably:—

Buy or make blank cards or slips of stiff paper of the size of a postal-card. Get enough, slightly tinted, to furnish one for each family in the congregation as it is when you assume its pastorate. Write plainly or print the family name at the top, below that the other names of the father and mother; under them, indented, the name of each of the children, separating those above fourteen and those under that age by a line. Still below, place the names of any other members of the family. After the name, if a member of the church, put the number which stands against that name in your church register. Indicate other relations to the church by letters. B means baptized; S, member of the Sunday-school; T, teacher, etc. Keep these cards in alphabetical order.

For those who come into your congregation after the beginning of your pastorate, supply white cards, and record the relation to the church in the same way. On either set of cards enter in red ink the fact of baptism or church membership if under your ministry. You will thus have a complete record, and always in alphabetical order.

When a family removes, of which some member is still connected with your church, take the card from its place among the resident families and put it in order in a separate place, and when the entire family has both removed and become entirely disconnected with the church, in a third place. It is easy to arrange a box or a partition in a drawer of your study table with two movable partitions to divide these three classes. If you are to call on any families and desire to be sure of remembering the names of all their members, you can take the cards and carry them with you while you are making your afternoon or evening round.

A sample is given here:—

Brown.

Paul K.,	t. 240	fr. 1st Ch., Chicago.
Mary F.,	241	fr. " " "
Matthew,	242	Conf. Died Jan., '90.
Mark,	t. 410	Conf.
Mary,	s.	
Martha,	s.	
Luke,	s. b. Apr., '87.	
John,	b. June, '90.	

Mrs. Jane Jones (mother of 241) 243 fr. 3d Ch., Boston.

Calls for each year may be recorded on the back of the card. Final removal may be indicated by a diagonal red line and the date.

PASTORS.

No.	NAME IN FULL	DATE OF ORDINATION	DATES OF SERVICE		REMARKS
			BEGAN	ENDED	
	Edville A. Roys		1914	3	
	Emery L. Bradford		1913 1925	1925	
	A. V. b. Legrow		1925 1927	1927	
	Frederick B. Ross	Dec 7. 1927	1927	Oct 9 1929	
	Rolland Emerson Bodge	June 5 [illegible]	Oct 25 1929	Sept. 17. 1939.	

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			BEGAN	ENDED	

DEACONS.

No.	NAME IN FULL	DATES OF SERVICE		REMARKS
		BEGAN	ENDED	
		March 14, 1898		
51	Thomas Perley Killam			
78	John William Parkhurst	May 22, 1895		
~~51~~	~~Thomas Perley Killam.~~			
	Robert B. Parkhurst.	Jan. 5. 1935.	Jan. 15-1940.	
	T. Perley Killam,	Jan. 14. 1936.		

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OTHER OFFICERS.

Church Committee, Clerk, Treasurer, Sunday-school Superintendent, etc.

No.	NAME IN FULL	DATES OF SERVICE		OFFICE HELD
		BEGAN	ENDED	
	Dwight L Killam			Supt. Sunday School.
	Herb C Kates	Jan 1927		Clerk
	Dwight L Killam			Treasurer
	Robert B. Parkhurst.	Jan. 14. 1936	1 year -	Clerk.
	Paul L. Killam.	" "	"	Treasurer.
	Hazel Killam.	" "	"	Supt. Sunday School.

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DELEGATES.

DATE	NAME IN FULL	To what Council, Conference, or Other Meeting.
1913.		
Oct. 5	Miss Lucie A. Peabody	Fall meeting of the Essex South
"	Deacon T. Perley Killam	Ass. at Beverly Oct. 8, 1913
1914.		
Apr. 19	Rev. Albert B. Peabody	Council with the Topsfield Congl. Ch. in Ordination & Installation of Mr Arthur Harold Gilmore, Apr. 24, 1914.
1914.		
May 10,	John W. Parkhurst	Spring meeting of the Essex South
" "	Hiram N. Towne	Ass. at South Ch. Peabody, May 13, 1914.
Oct. 11	Mr. & Mrs. John W. Parkhurst	Fall meeting of the Essex South Ass. at Central Ch. Lynn, Oct. 14, 1914.
Oct. 28.	John W. Parkhurst	Council with South Congl. Ch. Peabody,
	He appointed Mrs Abbie R. Gage as alternate,	in Installation of Rev. Jason George Miller, Nov. 4, 1914. at 4 o'clock P.M.
Oct. 28	Dea. T. Perley Killam	Fourth New England Congl. Congress at Park St. Ch. Boston, Nov. 11 & 12, 1914.
Dec. 10	John W. Parkhurst	Council with Maple St. Congl.
	He appro... alternate Miss Bessie Cleaveland	Church Danvers, Dec. 10, 1914.
Dec. 13	Deacon T. Perley Killam	Council with Dane St. Ch. Beverly, to Install Rev. Richard Herbert Bennett, Dec. 17, 1914
1915		
Jan. 17	Deacon T. Perley Killam	Council to dismiss Rev. Chas. H. Williams Pastor of Trinity Congl. Ch. Gloucester, Jan. 20, 1915.
1915		
May 9,	Chester Killam	Essex South Ass. Churches, at
"	John W. Parkhurst	Beverly, May 12, 1915
1915		of Gloucester
Sept. 8,	John W. Parkhurst	Council with Trinity Congl. Church to Install Rev. Albert A. Madsen Ph.D. September 15, 1915.

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DATE	NAME IN FULL	To what Council, Conference, or Other Meeting.
1915 Dec. 26,	John W. Parkhurst	Council with Maple St. Congl. Ch. Danvers to install Rev. Frank W. Merrick D. D. Monday Dec. 27, 1915.
1816 Oct. 8,	Deacon T. P. Killam	Delegates to the Essex South Ass. of Chs. in Beverly, Oct. 12th 1916.
	Mrs. T. P. Killam	
1916. Oct. 15.	Hiram N. Towne	Delegate to Council to Install Rev. Oliver Hart Bronson, Pastor Tabernacle Ch. Salem, Oct. 19. 1916, 7.30 P.M.
1917 Oct. 7	Mrs Abbie R. Gage	Delegates to the Essex South Ass. of Churches
	Mrs. L. Helen Stevens	So. Church, Peabody, Mass. Oct. 12, 1917.
1918 June 9,	Deacon T. Perley Killam	Delegate to Council to ordain Harold E. S. May at the 2nd Congl. Ch, Beverly, June 12, 1918.
1919 Jan. 19.	Deacon T. Perley Killam	Delegat to council, to dismiss Rev. Richard H. Bennett, Pastor Dane St. Congl. Church of Beverly, Jan. 23. 1919.
1919 Mar. 30.	Paul L. Killam	Delegate to Council to Install Rev. William H. Spence, Pastor Tabernade Church Salem, Apr. 1. 1919. at 3 o'clock P.M.
1919 Oct. 12.	Dea. T. Perley Killam	Delegates to Essex South Ass. of Churches, at
	Paul L. Killam	South Ch. Salem Oct. 14, 1919.
Oct. 12	Robert B. Parkhurst	Delegate to Council at Immanuel Congl. Ch. Beverly, to Ordain Charles E. Keith. Oct. 15, 1919.
Dec. 14.	Chester Killam.	Delegates to Council at Linebrook Church
	John H. Parkhurst.	to install Rev. Emery L. Bradford. Dec. 17. 1919.
1920 Mar. 28,	T. Perley Killam	Delegates to International Conference of Cong.
	John W. Parkhurst	Churches, Boston June 29 – July 6, 1920.

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DATE	NAME IN FULL	To what Council, Conference, or Other Meeting.
1920		
April 25.	T. Perley Killam	Council to Install Rev. Charles E. Reeves. Pastor
	Miss Florence H. Jones	of Topsfield Congl. Church. April 28. 1920.
May 9	Robert B. Parkhurst	Delegates to Essex South Ass. at Rockport,
	George B. Parkhurst	Mass. May 12, 1920.
Sept. 12	Robert B. Parkhurst	Council to Install Rev. William Emerson
		Jones Ph. D. Pastor of Dane St. Congl. Church
		Beverly. Sept. 15, 1920. at 3 P.M.
1921 May 27	Robert B Parkhurst	Ex-officio Council Hall St Cong'l
		Danvers Monday May 23 1921 - accepted F.H. Jones
May 8	Messrs Hon J. P. Killam	Essex South Conference Rockport May 10-12
May 14	Robert B. Parkhurst	Delegate Mass Cong'l Conference Worcester May 17-19
1936.		
Jan. 14.	Miss Lucie Peabody.	Elected for 1 year.
1937	" "	Annual Delegate to Association meetings.
1938.	" "	" " " "
1939.	" "	" " " "

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BAPTISMS.

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No.	NAME IN FULL	DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF BAPTISM	FIRST NAMES OF PARENTS If "Adult," write that word instead of parents' names.
			1913	Adult
178	John Leonard Killam		May 4, 1913	Chester – Minnie I.
179	Paul Lester Killam		" " "	Adult "
180	Horace Norcross Killam		" " "	Adult "
	Rebecca Lucy Parkhurst		June 8	Robert B. – Lucy J.
	Irma Bean Tutty		" "	Charles D. – Irma E.
	Stephen Augustus Bixby		" "	Charles A. – Clara M.
	Ernest Milton Mortimer		" "	Edward K. – Martha E.
	Esther Stearns Mortimer		"	" "
	Frank Melvin Gould Jr.		1914 June 14	Frank M. – Florence M.
	Lanra Elizabeth Brenner		1915 Oct. 13,	Samuel K. – Lanra (Jackson)
	Ethel Josephine Mortimer		1915. Nov. 7,	Edward K. – Martha E.
	Ruth Elizabeth Parkhurst		"	Robert B. – Lucy J.
185	Frank Stone Noyes		1916 Mar. 5.	Adult
186	Mrs. Annie [illegible] Noyes		" "	"
187	Ethel May Noyes		" "	"
188	Dwight Lewis Killam		" "	"
189	Frederick Arthur Buxton		" "	"
190 ×	Effie Florence Mortimer		1916 May 7	"
	Allen Mayhew Mortimer		1917 March 4	Ernest W. – Clara A. (Walker)
	Priscilla Small		June 10	Edward E. – Anna C. (Buck)
191	Charles C. Reed		July 1 1918	Adult
	Louise Woodman Mortimer		July 9	Edward K. – Martha E. (Sterns)
	Evelyn Florence Gould	Twins	" "	Frank M. – Florence M. (Brown)
	Everett Preston Gould		" "	" " " " "
	Claude Howell Phillips Jr.		" "	Claude H. – Eva M. (Bixby).
×	Ralph Clifton Gould	Nov. 9, 1915	July 2. 1916.	Frank M. – Florence M. (Brown).

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193	Parkhurst. Miss Mildred Holt		May 2. 1920.	Adult
194	Parkhurst. Miss Lavinda		May 2. 1920.	Adult
	Spaulding. Virginia Hope		June 13. 1920.	Arthur A. - Ethel (Buck)
197	Wm Argyle Swann		Mch 27, 1921	Adult
198	Mrs Ella Ingalls Swann		" "	"
199	Miss Alice Emma Riggs		" "	"
200	Miss Grace Estella Brown		" "	"
201	Miss Blanche Hazel Brown		" "	"
202	Mrs Bertha Crosby		July 3 "	"
	Mary Frances Sawyer		June 11 1922	child
	John Richard Sawyer		" " "	"
	Alice Conant Gould		" " "	"
	Martha Elizabeth Mortimer		" " "	"
204	Nathaniel Putnam Harris		April 1 1923	adult
205	Margaret Russell Harris		" 1 1923	"
206	Elizabeth Anderson Harris		" 1 1923	"
207	Clara Elizabeth Killam		" 1 1923	"
	Donald Stuart McPherson		June 10 1923	Wm & Gladys MacPherson infant
	Paul Averill Merrill		10 1923	infant
	George Arthur Gould jr		June 17 1925	" (S. H. Gould)
	Robert Perley Parkhurst		Mar 22 1925	" (H. B. Parkhurst)
	Dwight D— Killam		Aug 29 1926	" (Horace N. Killam
	Jean Carolyn MacPherson		June 19 1927	" Wm. & Gladys MacPherson
	Lucy Ann Waters	June 25, 1927	June 1928	"
	Ida Marguerite Parkhurst		March 10 1929	Robert B & Lucy (Parkhurst)

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	Horace Lawrence Killam Jr	Oct 28. 1928	[illegible]	[illegible]
217	Emily Letitia Hess	June 21 1925	Feb 7 1926	Emily & Frederick W Hess
	Mrs Abby Perley			adult
	Miss Esther Perley			adult
	Mrs Marion Ellen Gillis			adult
221	Mrs Doris Peabody			Betsey & Archie Peabody
	Natalie Frances Walsh		April 20 1930	Ella & William R Walsh
	Joan Elliston Walsh		"	ida & William R Walsh
	Dwight Lewis Killam		"	Doris & Dwight ~~H~~ Dorothy Killam
225	David Allen Hardy		June 14 1931	Alice & Fred Hardy
	Jean Foster Hardy		"	Alice & Fred Hardy
	Barbara Ann Gillis		"	Marion & Harold B. Gillis
	Lilian Emily Taylor		"	Louise & Thomas Taylor
229	Virginia Louise Taylor		"	do
	Mary Pauline Canterbury	about 2 1931	July 1, 1932	Ruth Bradford - Donald Canterbury
	William Raymond Walsh			William R & Ella Walsh
	Chester Horace Killam			Dwight L & Dorothy Killam
	George Warren Gamble		June 11, 1933	William & Mrs. Gamble.
	Carol Frances Gillis		" "	Mr & Mrs. Harold Gillis
235	Homer George Coffe		" "	Leland & Esther Coffe.
	Marjorie Ellen Walsh		June 10, 1934.	Ella & William R. Walsh.
	Herbert Edward Killam.		" " "	Dorothy & Dwight L. Killam.
	Paul Chester Killam.		" " "	Edith & Paul L. Killam.
	Jane Elizabeth Gamble.		" " "	William & mrs Gamble.
	Robert Leo Richardson.		June 9. '35.	Eleanor & Leo Richardson.
	David Emerson Killam.		" 9. "	Edith & Paul L. Killam.

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1936-			1936.	
242	Gould. Donald Melvin.	Oct. 28. 1935	June 28.	Muriel (Trumbley) & Melvin (Frank melvin) Gould Jr.
	Hardy. Sue Stevens.	Dec. 30. 1934	" "	Alice (Cheney) & Fred O. Hardy.
	Herman. Sally Louise	Apr. 16- 1936-	" "	Hazel (Fuller) & Bernard (wieder) Herman.
	Killam. Charles Everett.	Jan. 26. 1936-	" "	Edith (Webster) (clothey) & Paul Lester Killam
1937-			1937.	
246	Thompson. Cynthia Sidwell.	July 12 1936.	June 27.	Harry De Smet. Doris May. (Sidwell).
	Keefe. Sally	Nov 13. "	" "	Harold Lloyd, Mary, (Butler).
	Richardson. Dorothy Mae.	Nov. 22 "	" "	Leo Francis. Eleanor Louise, (Peabody)
	Killam. Alfred Howe.	May 15 "	" "	Dwight Lewis. Dorothy Dudley. (Perley)

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3.	Averill, Miss Florence	Feb. 22, 1885.		
110.	Ayers, Mr. Sidney Arthur	Mar 4. 1894.	C.	
1.	Ayers, Mr. S. Frank	Jan. 4. 1874.		Died.
10.	Batcheldor, Mrs. Arthur B.	Mar. 4. 1883.	C.	
129.	Belcher, Mrs. Lizzie E. (Grace Gould)	Mar. 4. 1900.	C. B.	To Church at Lexington Oct. 21, 1905
130.	Berry, Mrs. Mary C. (Gurley)	May 6. 1900.	C. B.	Died - 1935
109.	Bixby, Mr. Charles A.	Mar. 4. 1894.	C.	
55.	Bixby, Mrs. Chas. A. (Clara M. Keyes)	May 5. 1889.	C.	Died 1931
8.	Bixby, Miss Ida E.	May 6. 1888.	C.	
163.	Black, Mrs. Annie E. (Sawyer)	Sept. 6. 1908.	1st. Congl. Church, Carthage, Mo.	
11.	Black, Mr. Frank K.	May 5. 1878.	C.	
120.	Bradford, Rev. Emery L.	May 4. 1913.	1st Congl Church East Weymouth Mass	
121.	Bradford, Mrs. Emery L. (Carrie Locke)	" " " " " " " " "		
177.	Bradford, Miss Ruth	" " " " " " " " "		
119.	Brown, Mrs. Carrie M.	May 1. 1898.	Parker St. M.E. Church Lawrence, Mass.	
169.	Buck, Mr. Hector Robert	May 1. 1910.	C.	
118	Buck, Mrs. Robert (Ada L. Phillips)	Mar. 1. 1896.	C.	
29.	Butterfield, Mrs. Walter A. (Lizzie F. Frye)	May 5. 1889.	C.	
193.	Butterfield, Mrs. Florence (Stanley)	Mar. 31. 1918.	C.	
189.	Buxton, Mr. Frederick Arthur	Mar. 5. 1916.	C. B.	
17.	Cleaveland, Miss Bessie	Sept. 4. 1881.	C.	
16.	Cleaveland, Mrs. William P. (Ada Peabody)	July 3. 1867.	Dec. Congl. Church, Chatham, Mass.	
21.	Conant, Mr. Daniel H.	July 4. 1858.	C. Died Feb 26, 1922.	
190.	Davison, Mrs. Leonard (Effie Mortimer)	May 7. 1916.	C. B.	L.P. 8/23/21
27.	Frame, Mrs. Andrew (L. Maria Gould)	Dec. 28. 1879.	Congl. Church, Littleton, Mass.	Died, 1923

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105.	French, Miss Gertrude H.	Sept. 3. 1893.	C.	
30.	Gage, Mrs. Abbie R. (Cole)	Jan. 4. 1863.	C.	
34.	Gage, Miss Alice M.	Mar. 4. 1883.	C.	
147.	Gould, Mr. Frank M.	Mar. 6. 1904.	C. B.	
140.	Gould, Mrs. Frank M. (Florence Brown)	" " "	C. B.	
126.	Gould, Mr. George A.	Mar. 4. 1900.	C. B.	
23.	Gould, Mrs. George A. (Nettie H. Conant)	Mar. 4. 1894.	C.	
127.	Gould, Mr. William E.	Mar. 4. 1900.	C. B.	
45.	Green, Mrs. William (Edith Howe)	May 5. 1889.	C.	
122.	Hall, Mrs. Helen C. (Russell)	Jan. 7. 1900.	Melrose Highlands Congl. Church.	
37.	Harper, Miss Sarah E.	Nov. 2. 1873.	C.	
38.	Howe, Mrs. Ellen M. (Hale)	" " "	C.	died Dec 28, 1922
113.	Howe, Mr. Oliver M.	May 6. 1894.	C.	
40.	Howe, Mr. William B.	Mar. 4. 1894.	C.	
41.	Howe, Mrs. William B. (Martha J. Gould)	July 4. 1858.	C.	
125.	Howe, Mr. Windsor Herbert	Mar. 4. 1900.	C. B.	
102.	Hurlbutt, Mrs. Albert G. (Mary Carpenter)	Mar. 4. 1894.	C.	
103.	Hurlbutt, Miss Alice M.	Sept. 3. 1893.	C.	
136.	Hurlbutt, Miss Bessie Gertrude	June 15, 1902.	C. B.	
58.	Janes, Miss Florence H.	July 1. 1877.	C.	
159.	Jenkins, Mrs. Malcolm H. (Ethel Mortimer)	Jan. 5. 1908.	C. B.	
134.	Killam, Mr. Chester	June 15. 1902.	C. B.	
135.	Killam, Mrs. Chester (Minnie D. Tibbs)	" " "	C. B.	
88.	Killam, Mr. Dwight Lewis	Mar. 5. 1916.	C. B.	
167.	Killam, Miss Florence	May 1. 1910.	C. B.	

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49.	Killam, Miss Frances E.	Sept. 6, 1874.	C.	
80.	Killam, Mr. Horace Newcomb	May 4, 1913.	C. B.	
78.	Killam, Mr. John Leonard	" " "	C. B.	
79.	Killam, Mr. Paul Lester	" " "	C. B.	
51.	Killam Dea T. Perley	Nov. 5, 1889.	C.	
52.	Killam, Mrs. T. Perley (Lelian N. French)	Sept. 6. 1885.	C.	
70.	Lake, Mr. Ebenezer Hobart	May 1. 1910.	C. B.	Dismissed Dec. 18, 1921
61.	Lowe, Mrs. Soloman W. (Mary A. Howe)	Jan. 4. 1874.	C.	Died
58.	Matthews, Mrs. Joseph B. (Edith Mortimer)	Jan. 5. 1908.	C. B.	
62.	Matthews, Mrs. William G. (Kate Bronte)	Nov. 6. 1876.	C.	Died Aug 15, 1921
86.	Manny, Mrs. Frank (Arnette Sawyer)	Nov. 1. 1885.	C.	
16.	Moore, Mrs. Cynthia (Foster).	Mar. 1. 896.	South Congl. Church Ipswich Mass.	letter 6/12/1921
71.	Mortimer, Mr. Ernest Hyman	May 1. 1910.	C. B.	
84.	Mortimer Mrs Ernest W. (Ciara Hacker)	Apr. 28. 1915.	Congl. Church, Edgartown	Letter 6/12 1921
52.	Mortimer Mrs. Martha E. (Stearns)	Jan. 7. 1906.	Baptist Church Chinchendon, Mass.	
76.	Nelson, Mr. Harold Gustus	Mar. 6. 1904.	C.	
64.	Norwood, Mr. Walter	May 5, 889.	C.	
12.	Nick, Mrs. Rose (Kirby).	Mar. 4. 1894.	C.	
85.	Noyes, Mr. Frank Stone	Mar. 5. 1916.	C. B.	
86.	Noyes, Mrs. Frank Stone	" " "	C. B.	
77.	Noyes, Miss Ethel May	" " "	C. B.	
68.	Palmer Mr. Charles L.	May 5. 867.	C.	
60	Parkhurst, Miss Amy Gertrude	Jan. 5, 1908.	C.	
70.	Parkhurst, Mr. George B.	May 6. 1894.	C.	
3.	Parkhurst Mrs. George B. (Edith Holt)	Jan 7. 900.	Melrose Highlands Congl. Church.	

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X 173.	Parkhurst Mr. John Rodney	May 1. 1910.	C.	
78.	Parkhurst Mrs. John H.	Sept. 2. 1877.	C.	
79.	Parkhurst, Mrs. John H. (Gertrude Chadwick)	May 6. 1894.	Sec. Congl. Ch. West Bedford, Mass.	
172.	Parkhurst, Mrs. Robert B.	May 1. 1910.	C. B.	
155.	Parkhurst Mrs. Robert B. (Lucy Killam)	Jan. 6. 1907.	C.	
144.	Parkhurst, Miss Chimiffid C.	Mar. 6. 1904.	C.	
76.	Paul Mr. Charles H.	May 5. 1889.	C.	
77.	Paul, Mrs. Charles H. (Mary Averill)	Mar. 2. 1884.	C.	
175.	Paul, Miss Elizabeth Averill	May 5. 1912.	C.	Jan "35
74.	Peabody, Mr. Albert E.	Jan. 10. 1892.	Cong'l. Church Candia, N. H.	
71.	Peabody Miss Lucie A.	May 1. 1898.	Evangelical Cong'l. Ch. Boxboro, Mass.	
73.	Peabody, Miss Sarah P.	Jan. 10. 1892.	Cong'l. Church, Candia, N. H.	
65.	Perley Mrs. Charles (Lonie Emerson)	Jan 4. 1874.	C.	
42.	Perley Mrs. E. Horace (Eliza E. Howe)	Jan. 6. 1878.	C.	
142.	Perley Miss Grace	Mar. 6. 1904.	C. B.	
67.	Perley, Miss Maude	May 4. 1890.		
X 66.	Perley Miss Mary E.	May 2. 1869.	C.	
143.	Phillips, Mrs. Claude (Eva M. Bixby)	Mar. 6. 1904.	C. B.	
139.	Pineo, Mr. Fred Ashley	" " "	Presbyterian Ch. Waterville Nova Scotia Lakeville,	
V 72.	Rabbs, Mr. Fred	May 5. 1889.	C.	
91.	Reed, Mr. Charles C.	July 1. 1917.	C. B.	
104.	Reed Mrs. Charles C. (Minnie Hurlbutt)	Sept. 3. 1893.	C.	
76.	Sawyer, Mrs. John C. (Gertrude Butterfield)	May 5. 1912.	C.	
X 55.	Sawyer, Miss Mary	July 4. 1869.	C. died Jan 10th 1922	
132.	Sheldon, Mrs. Joe (Mary Cheney)	Jan. 19. 1902.	C. B.	

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2.	Small Mrs Edward E. (Anna C. Buck)	May 4. 1913.	C.	
61.	Spaulding, Mr. Arthur Orvie	Jan. 5. 1908.	C. B.	by Letter Mar 13 1917
68.	Spaulding, Mrs. Arthur G. (Ethel Buck)	May 1. 1910.	C.	
75.	Tidds, Mr. Clarence E.	Mar. 6. 1904.	C.	
76.	Tidds, Mr. Laurence B.	May 5, 1889.	C.	
97.	Tidds, Mrs Laurence B. (Hattie Potter)	" " "	C.	
93.	Todd Mrs. Mary E. (Cole)	Jan 4. 1863.	C.	Nov 6 1920
15.	Todd, Mr. Fred G.	May 5. 1889.	C.	
89.	Towne, Mr. Hiram N.	Sept. 2, 1877.	C.	
90.	Towne, Mrs Hiram N. (Alice Tufts)	May 6. 1894.	C.	
74.	Tutty Mrs. (Charles D. (Irma E. Bean)	Jan 6. 1907.	C. B.	3/18/20 Letter to 1st Bapt Salem Died July, 1920
71.	Twitchell Mrs. George W. (Lydia G. Gould)	Sept. 5, 1858.	C.	
2.	Twitchell, Mr. Lawson B.	Nov. 1. 1885.	C.	Nov. 14, 1920.
3.	Twitchell Mrs. Lawson B. (Gillian Ford)	Jan. 19. 1902.	Evangelical Congl. Ch. Easton, Mass	Nov. 14, 1920.
0.	Utkins, Mr. Joseph	Jan. 5. 1890.	C.	
2.	Wyman, Mrs. Helen M. (Emerson)	Sept. 5, 1917.	Walpole Congl. Ch. Walpole, Mass.	
3	Parkhurst, Miss Mildred Holt	May 2. 1920	C. B.	
4	Parkhurst, Miss Lavrinda	May 2. 1920.	C. B. V	
5	Manny, Mrs. Mary B.	Jan. 2, 1921	1st Congl. Ch. Indianapolis	Jan. 10. 1925
	Manny, Frank A. V	" " "	" " "	"
197	Wm Riggs Stowell V	Feb 27, 21	C B	
198	Mrs Ella Augusta Stowell V (Wife)	" "	" "	
199	Miss Alice Emma Riggs V	" "	" "	
	Miss Grace Estella Stowell	" "	" "	
01	Mrs Pollard Hazel Bowen	" "	" "	

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[illegible]	James Crosby	July 3, 1[illegible]	C	
[illegible]	Mrs James Crosby		C	
155 204	Nathaniel Putnam Harris	April 1, 1923	C B	
205	Margaret Russell Harris	" 1, 1923	C. B.	
206	Elizabeth Anderson Harris	" 1, 1923	C. B.	
207	Clara Elizabeth Killam (Mrs. R. Paul)	" 1, 1923	C. B	
208	Theodora Ella Bourne	" 1, 1923	C.	
209	Mrs Marguerite Harriman Bond (Fredk H, Jr.)	" 1, 1923	C.	
210	Ruth Bowers (Mrs [illegible])	[illegible]	[illegible]	
✓	Mrs Maud D. Killam	June 7. 1925	Letter from Second Congl. W. Boston	
	~~George Arthur Gould Jr.~~	~~" 14. 1925~~	~~B.~~	
	~~Robert Perley Parkhurst~~	~~Mar. 22, 1925~~	~~B~~	
	George Bourne	April 12. 1925.		
	Ruth Bourne	" 12/25.		
✓	Stephen Bixby	" 12/25.		
✓	Hazel Killam	" 12/25.		
✓	Estha Mortimer	" 12/25.		
✓	Geraldine E. Moore	" 12/25.		
✓	Rebecca Parkhurst	" 12/25.		
✓	Ruth Parkhurst	" 12/25.		
✓	Leo Richardson	" 12/25.		
✓	Elizabeth Sheldon	" 12/25.	B.	

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	Arevill, Miss Florence	Feb 22. 85		
	Ayers S. Arthur	Mar. 4. 94	C	
	Berry Mrs. Mary E.	May. 6. 19	C. B.	Dec. 1935
	Bixby, Charles A.	Mar. 4. 94	C	
	Bixby, Mrs. Chas. A.	May 5. 87	C	
	Bixby, Miss. Ida E.	May 6. 88	C	
X	Black, Miss. Annie E.	Sept 6. 08	Died	
	Black, Frank K.	May 5. 78	C	
	Bradford, Rev. Emery E.	May 7. 13	[illegible]	
	Bradford Mrs. Emery E. (now Mrs. N. H. Lanier-nee Bradford Miss Beck)			
	Brown Mrs. Annie E.	[illegible]	[illegible]	Dec. May 1936
	Buck Nellie F.	May 1 '10	C	
	Buck, Mrs. Ada L.	Mar. 1. 96	C	
	Butterfield, Mrs. Lizzie F.	May 5. 89	C	
	Butterfield, Miss. Florence	Mar. 2. 15	C	
	Clapton Frederick Arthur	Mar. 5. 16	C. B.	
	Clearland, Miss. Bessie	Sept. 1. [illegible]	C	
	Clearland, Mr. William	July 5. 67		
	Clarison Mrs. Leonard	May 5. [illegible]	C. B.	
	French, Miss. Gertrude H.	Apr. 2. [illegible]		
	Gage. Miss Alice M.	Mar. 4. 83		
	Gould. Frank M.	Mar. [illegible]	C. B.	
	Gould, Mrs. Frank M.	" " "	C B	
	Gould, George A.	Mar 1. 00	C. B.	
	Gould, Mrs. George A.	Mar 1 94	C	

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	Fould, William E.	Nov. 4, 1900	C.B.	
	Green, Mrs. William	May 5. 89	C	
	Holt, Mrs. Helen C.	Jan. 7, 1900	[illegible]	
	Howe, Asher H.	May 6. 34	C	
	Howe, William B.	Jan. 4. 74	C	
	Howe, Mrs. William C.	July 4. 58	C	
	Howe, Winsor Herbert	Nov 4 1900	C.B.	
	Hurlburtt, Mrs. Albert G.	Mar. 4. 94	C — D.	
	Hurlburtt, Miss. Alice M.	Sept 3 93	C	
	Jenkins, Mrs. Melvin H.	Jan 5. 08	C.B.	
	Killam, Chester	June 15. 62	C.B.	
	Killam, Mrs. Chester	" " "	C.B.	
	Killam, Dwight Lewis	Mar. 5. 16	C.B.	
	Killam, Miss Hazel	Apl 12. 25		
	Killam, Mrs. Maud D.	June 7. 25	[illegible]	
	Killam, Mrs. Frances E.	Sept 6 74	C.	Removed by vote of C.
	Killam, Horace N.	Nov 2 [illegible]	C.B.	
	Killam, John L.	" " "	C.B.	
	Killam, Paul L.	" " "	C.B.	
	Killam, T. Perley	Nov 5. 89	C.	
	Killam, Mrs. T. P.	Sept. 6. 85	C	
	Matthews, Mrs. Joseph B.	Jan. 5. 08	C.B.	
	Manny, Mrs. Frank A.	Nov. 1. 85	C.	
	Manny, Frank A.	Jan. 2. 21	[illegible]	
	Mortimer, Mrs. Ed. F. K.	Jan. 7. 60	[illegible]	
	Moore, Mrs. Henry F.	Mar. 2. 26.		

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	Merrill, Mrs. Warren	May 5. '12	C	
	Nelson, Harold J.	Nov. 9,	absentee List	
	Newman, Walter	May 5 '[illegible]	C	
	Nick, Mrs. Rose	Nov. 4. 94	C	
	Noyes, Mrs. F. S.	Nov. 5. '16	C.B.	
	Nye, Mrs. Ethel M.	" " "	C.B.	
	Palmer Charles L.	May 5. 67.	C	
	Parshurst. Miss. Amy G.	Jan. 5. 68	C	
	Parkhurst. George B.	May 6. 44	C	
	Parkhurst, Mrs. Geo. B.	Jan 7 19[illegible]	Methodist Hdls. Evng Ch.	
	Parkhurst. John W.	Sept 2 77	C	
	Parkhurst Mrs. John W.	May 6. 99	Evng. Ch. W. Boxford.	
	Parkhurst Robert B.	May 1. 10	C.B.	
	Parkhurst. Mrs. R. B.	Jan. 6. '07	C.	
	Parkhurst, Miss Winnifred G.	Nov. 6. '[illegible]	C	
	Parkhurst Miss. Lucinda	May 2. 20	C.B.	
	Parkhurst. Miss. Rebecca	Jan 12 '25		
	Parkhurst Miss Ruth	" " "		
	Paul, Charles W	May - '89	C	
V	Paul Mrs. Charles W.	Nov. 2. 84	C	D. Jan. 28. 1939
X	Peabody, Miss. Susan P.	Jan 10 '92	Letter	Died 1928
	Peabody, Miss. Lucie A.	May 1. '98		
	Perry, Mrs. Louise E.	Jan 4. 74	C	
	Perry. Mrs. E. Horace	Jan 6 '98	C	
	Perry, Miss Grace	Nov 6 '04	C.B.	
X	Perry Miss Mary A.	May 4 '90		Died
	Phillips, Miss. Grace	Nov. 6 '[illegible]		

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	Pinco, Fred A.	Mar. 6 '04	Letter from West Ch Danville N. S.	Death Jan. 1935
	Pabbs, Frederick	May 89	C.	
	Read, Charles G.	July 1 '17	C. B.	
	Read, Mrs. Charles G.	Sept. 3. 93	C.	
	Riggs, Miss. Alice E.	Mch. 27, 21	C. B.	
	Richardson, Deo	Jan. 12 25	C	
	Read, Mrs. Raymond (now Mrs Gertrude Brown)	Jan 1. 23	C. B.	West Boxford
	Sawyer, Mrs. John G.	May 5 '12	C	L
	Sheldon, Mrs. Joe	Jan 1, 62	C. B.	
	Small, Mrs. Edward E.	May. 4, 3	C	
	Swann, William A.	Mar 27 21	C. B.	D. Mar. 1. 38
	Swann Mrs. Wm. A.	" " "	C. B.	
	Sheldon, Mrs. Elizabeth	Jan 2 25	B.	
	Tidd, Clarence G.	Mar. 6. 04	C	
	Tidd, Lawrence B.	May 5. 89	C	
	Tidd, Mrs. Lawrence B.	" 5. 89	C	
	Todd, Fred G.	" 5. 89	C L	Letter Oct. 18. 36.
	Towne, Hiram N.	Sept 2. '11	C D	
	Towne, Mrs. Hiram N.	May 6 '94	C D	
	Watkins, Joseph	Jan 5. 40	C Transferred to absentee list.	
	Wyman, Mrs. Helen M.	Sept. 5. 17	Letter from Ch. Watford	
X	Walter, Mrs. Elmer H.	May 2 '20	C. B.	Died Oct. 13, 28

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	Brown, Miss Grace E.	Mar 27 '21	C.B.	
	Brown, Miss. Blanche H.	" " "	C.B.	L. 1935. Dec. 29.
	Bixby, Stephen L.	Jn. 12 '25	C	L. Jan. 1939.
	Bond, Mrs. Fred'k. jr.	Jn. 1. '23	C	
	Crosby, James	July 8 '21	C	
	Crosby, Mrs. James	" " "	C.B.	
	Harris Nathl. P	Jn. 1. '23	C.B.	
	Harris Margaret W.	" " "	C.B.	Ord 4193 (
	Harris Elizabeth L.	" " "	C.B.	
X	Cleveland Mrs Ruth P.	Nov. 2. '24	Letter / Dismissed to Lunenburg Cong. Ch.	Oct. 14 1927.
	Mrs. Benjamin E. Perrin. Mortimer. Miss. Edna	Jn 12 '25		
	Mellow. Mrs. Hannah	Jn. 1. '23	C.B.	
	Lowe, Mrs. Annie H.	Jan 4. 1874		Died June 25.
	Rev. Frederick B. Noss.	Jn. 8 '25	C	
	Mrs Frederick B. Noss.	May 6 '25	Calvary Reformed Church of Reading	Penna.
	Bessie French	Jn. 8 '25.	C.B.	
	Robt Little	" " "	C.B.	
	Elizabeth Little	" " "	C	
	Albert C. Waters	" " "	C	D. Aug 13 1938.
	Mrs. Albert C. Waters	" " "	West Medford Congregational Ch.	
	Leslie Stahl	" " "	C	
	Mrs Leslie Stahl	" " "		
	~~Mrs. Frederick B. Noss.~~	~~May 6 '25~~	~~Calvary Reformed Church Reading~~	Penna.
	Junis William Calder	" 29	C	
	Albert Charles Waters Jr	April 20 1930	C	
	Henry Van Kamecke	"	C	

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	Viola Van Kameche	April 20 1930	Beth Eden Baptist Waltham Mass	
	[illegible] MacPherson		C	
	Gladys M MacPherson	"	Church of Christ Berlin N.H.	
	William B. Walsh	"	C B	
	Ella M. Walsh	"	C B	
	Ruthie Peabody Jr	"	C B	
	Ralph C Gould	"	C	
	Earle M. Gould Jr	"	C	
	James P. Gray	"	First Baptist Lowell	Dec 24 '37 D.
	Ruth L Gray	"	do	
	William H Gamble	Mar 3 1913	Tabernacle - Salem	
	Lauchlin E MacLean	"	Lindsay Presbyterian	
	Dorothy Perley Killam	"	First Congregational Wakefield	
	John Noyes	"	C-B	
	Mrs John Noyes	"	C B	
	Margaret MacDonald (Mrs)	"	First Baptist Stoneham	
	Mrs William H Gamble	~~1929~~ 1931	C-	
	Mrs Henry Perley	" 1929	C B	
	Mrs Esther Perley	"	C B	
x	Mrs Marion Ellen Willis	"	C B	July 1936.
	Miss Doris Peabody	"	C B	
	Mrs Ethel Mortimer	"	C	
	Joseph Matthews	"	C	
	Deanna Marguerite Roberts	1932	L First Congregational Keene N.H.	
	Franklin Lamphear Roberts	"	L do	
	Franklin Lamphear Roberts Jr	"	C	

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20	Anna P. Loring	June 1, 1913.	1st Church Braintree,
165	Rev. Edville A. Roys	June 22, 1913.	Fruitvale Congl. Ch., Oakland, Cal.
166	Mabelle F. Roys.	" 1913. "	" " " " "
72	Grace S. Peabody	July 30, 1914.	Died.
19	Mary N. Cleaveland	April 29. 1915.	Maple St. Congl. Ch. Danvers.
128	Mary A. Gould Cummings	Mar. 7,	Congl. Ch. Wenham, Mass.
164	William Irving Cummings	" "	" " " "
31	Mary A. B. Gould	——— 1914	Died
124	Mrs. Ellen (Matthews) Howe	July 16.	Died
13	Leander Hiram Cheney	1915	Died
22	Mrs. Daniel W. Conant	May 23, 1907	Died
26	Mrs. James A. Elliott	Jan. 6. 1902	Congl. Ch. Topsfield Mass.
35	Mrs. Margaret (Howe) Hale	Sept. 17. 1902	Died
44	Mrs. Lydia S. Howe	May 1,	Died
56	Mrs. Mary Kimball	—	Died
59	Mrs. Charles (Conant) Leach	1903	Died
70	Mrs. Sarah H. E. Peabody	Aug. 3, 1905	Died
81	Mrs. Ellen A. Riggs	—	Died
111	Mr. J. Proctor McNeil	Dec. 1915	Died
117	Miss Angie F. (Moore) Parr	Mar. 20, 1904	M. E. Church, Topsfield
137	Rev. Laird W. Snell	Feb. 10 1915	Episcopal Ch.
138	Mrs. Laura M. (S) Snell	Feb. 10.	" "
114	Mrs. Ansel Eaton	Apr. 21. 1916	Congl. Ch. North Reading, Mass,
2	Mrs. S. Frank Ayers	Nov. 7, 1916	Died
25	Mrs. Frank D winnell	Aug. 1916	Died

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108	Miss Sarah W. Matthews	May 5, 1917.	Died
69	Rev. Albert B. Peabody	Nov. 2. 1917	Died
43	Mrs. Nathl. L. Howe	May 19, 1918	Rutgers Presbyterian Ch. New York.
174	Miss Anna Hooker Morse	April 27, 1919	Old South Church. Boston, Mass.
181	Arthur Webster Morse	" " "	" " " " " "
7	Miss Abbie M. Bixby	1919	Died
83	Mrs. James B. Sawyer	1919	Died
162	Mrs. Ruthenia J. Beane	1919	Died
183	Mrs. Laura J. Bremner	1919	Died
28	Mrs. Samuel A. Frye	Oct. 1919	Died
173	John Rodney Parkhurst	Apr. 4, 1920	First M. E. Church, Portsmouth, N. H.
91	Mrs. George W. Twitchell	July 1920.	Died.
92	Mr. Lawson B. Twitchell	Nov. 14, 1920.	Congl. Church, Holliston. Mass.
133	Mrs. Lawson B. Twitchell	" " "	" " " " "
142	Mrs Mary E. Todd	Feb. 6, 1921	First Christian Church, Andover, Mass
143	Ernest Norman Mortimer	June 2, 1921	Congregational Church, Edgartown, Mass
143	Mrs Clara Wilkes Mortimer (E.N.)	" " "	" " " "
37	Miss Sarah Hooper	Dec 2, 1921	Died
176	Eben Hooper Todd	" 16, 1921	Main St. Methodist Episcopal Church, Haverhill
62	Mrs Wm G Matthews	Aug 18, 1921	Died
85	Miss Mary Sawyer	Jan. 19, 1922	Died
21	David W Conant	Oct 16, 1922	Died
38	Mrs Ellen M Hale Howe	Dec 28, 1922	Died
154	Mrs Chas S Tuttle	Mch 18, 1923	Letter to 1st Baptist Church, Salem
129	Mrs Lizzie E. Belcher	Oct 21, 1923	" " Lexington, Mass
	Miss Cynthia F. Moore		S. Cong Church, Ipswich

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66	Mrs Mary Ellen Perley	Oct 18, 1923	Died
167	Mrs Florence K. Barker	Apr. 26 25.	First Cong. Church Framingham.
	Mr. S. F. Ayers	'25	Died.
30	Mrs. Addie E. Gage	'25	Died.
85	Mr. Frank S. Noyes	'25	Died.
74	Mr. Albert S. Peabody	'25	Died.
195	Mrs. Mary B. Manny	June '25	Died.
58.	Miss Florence M. Janes	Feb. 26.	Died.
101.	Mr. Arthur A. Spaulding	Mar 21. 26.	Evangelical Cong. Church Lunenburg
102.	Mrs Arthur A. Spaulding	Mar 21. 26.	" " " "
	George Bowie	Apr 7 26	Community Cong. Ch. Lynnfield
	Miss Ruth Bowie	" " "	" " " "
	Miss Mary A. Perley	Dec. 26	Died.
	Mrs. Annie E. Black		Died.
	Mrs. Ruth P. Cleveland	Apr. 27.	Dismissed to Lunenburg Cong Ch. Apr 27.
	Mrs. Clara K. Pearl		Cong Church West Boxford
	Miss. Sarah V. Peabody		Died 1928.
	Mrs Elmer T. Parker (Richard Parkhurst)	Oct. 1928.	Died
	Frederick D. Hoar	Nov 10/29	South Congregational Church
	Emily L Hoar	Nov 10/29	do
	Mrs Albert S. Hemenway	1929	Died
	William B Stone	1930	Died
	Mrs William P. Blanchard	1930	"
	Walter Donovan	abt 1927	"
	Mrs Charles A Bixby	1931	"

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	Florence Davison	Mar 23/31	L/D Hamilton Mass Congregational
	Leslie Stahl	Mar 29	L Exeter Cong. Church, Exeter, N.H.
	Dorothy D Stahl (Mrs Leslie)	Mar 29	L/D do
	Frankland R Harris	Oct 4	resigned
	Clarence Tidd	193	died
	Charles L Palmer	?	died
	Mrs Ira Dick	[illegible]	removed by vote of church Jan. 1932
	Lizzie Frances Butterfield	"	L/D Holden Congregational Holden Mass
	Gertrude Brown (Sawyer Butterfield)	"	do
	Hiram N Towne	"	died
	Mrs Hiram N. Towne	"	died
	Helen M. Wyman	4/15/33	L/D Central Church of Walpole Mass
	Miss. Ida Bixby (Louise E-)	1933	Died
	Mrs. Charley Perley.	April 1933.	Died.
	mrs. Gladys Ayers Millett	1934.	"
	Charles A. Bixby.	Oct. 1934	"
	Mrs. Winnie Merrill. (Elizbeth Page)	Jan. 13. '35.	dismission by letter.
	Pineo Fred A.	Jan. '35.	died.
	Lowe. Mrs. Annie M.	June. '35.	died.
	Killam, Mrs. MacCracken (Mrs. Frances E.)	" " Dismission.	by vote of Church. by request.
	Brown. Miss Blanche M.	"	" " " to North Cong. Church, Haverhill. " her request.
	Berry. Mrs. Mary C. (Studley)	Feb. 17. '35	Died.
	Brown Mrs Carrie D.	May 25. 36.	Died.
	Frederick G. Todd.	Oct. 25. 36	Dismissed & united to Stanley Presbyterian church West Mount. Montreal. P. Q. Canada.
	[illegible]	July. 36	[illegible] by letter to [illegible] Church Danvers.

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	Maurice Daniel	Mar. 25. 37	L to [illegible] St. Cong. [illegible]
	James P. Gray	Dec. 24. 37	Died -
	William A. Swann	Mar. 1. 38	Died.
	Howe. Mr. Windsor Herbert -	Mar. 27. 38	L. his request. First Baptist. Reading. Mass.
	Bixby Stephen A.	Jan. 1939	L. " " North Cong. Cambridge. Mass.
	Nelson Harold J.		Put on absentee list by vote of Church.
	Paul Mrs. Chas. W. (Mary Averill)	Jan. 23. 1939.	Died -
	Albert C. Waters -	Aug. 13. 1938.	D -
	Wilkins Joseph -		Transferred to absentee List.

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	Gladys Cypres (Cypres) Milliken	Jan 1 1932	West Somerville Congregational (deceased 1934)
	Eleanor Peabody Richardson	Apr. 1. 1934	L. 1st Baptist church. Georgetown, mass.
	Everett P. Gould	" "	C.
	Louise W. Mortimer	" "	C.
	David S. Waters	" "	C
	John Tenney Hills	" "	C.B.
	Geraldine L. Herman	" "	C.B.
	Alerson E. Noyes	" "	C B.
	Evelyn F. Gould (Muriel Wrinkle)	" "	C.
	Gould. Mrs. Melvin.	1935	C.
	Gamble Williams Jr.	1935	C.
	Dr. Rolland E. Wolfe	Jan 8. 1936	L. Church of the Brethren. Wabash, Indiana.
	Mrs. R. E. "	"	C.
	Dame. Maurice	"	C. Removed by letter to Dan St. Cong.
	Herman. Mrs Bernard. (Hazel Fuller)	June 19. "	L Fifth St. Baptist Church Lowell, Mass.
	Mortimer Miss Martha.	"	C.
	Saunders. Mrs Mary Ann.	Apr. 23. "	L. Cong. Church, West Medford Mass.
	Thresher. Mrs. Emily Frances	Nov. 1. "	C.B.
	[illegible] Crawford Clark St.	Jan. 3. 1937	C
	[illegible] Crawford.	Dec 19 36 "	L Roslindale Congregational Church. Roslindale, Mass.
	[illegible]	" "	C.
	[illegible]	" "	C-B.
	[illegible]	" "	C. B.
	Herbert E. Gage.	July 11. 1937.	L. Wellesley. Cong. church. Wellesley, Mass.
	Doris M. (Sitwell) Thompson.	Nov. 7. 1937	L. Pilgrim Cong. Church. Santee, Nebraska

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ANNUAL CHURCH STATISTICS

Year Ending December 31	MEMBERS				RECEIVED			REMOVED				BAPTIZED		No. FAMILIES
	Male	Female	Total	Ab.	Conf.	Letter	Total	Death	Letter	Disc.	Total	Ad.	Inf.	
1929	44	87	121	45	7		7	1	2		3	4	1	39
30	50	80	130	44	8	4	12	3			3	3	3	39

ANNUAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Year Ending Dec. 31	MEMBERSHIP						CHURCH		Volumes in Library	MONEY RAISED FOR		NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT
	Officers	Teachers	Scholars	Home Dep't	Total	Average Attendance	Expends on S. S.	Received Members from S.S.		Self-support	Charities	
19												

Resignation of Rev. Edville A. Roys.

1912

Boxford Mass.
Oct. 6, 1912.

To the First Congregational Church and Parish of Boxford Mass.:

The Rev. Edville A. Roys hereby offers his resignation to the First Congregational church and parish of Boxford, Mass. Said resignation to take effect on Monday October seventh, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twelve

Edville A. Roys

A true copy
Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

Everett, Mass.
Oct. 8, 1912.

To my dear friends in Boxford:

I wish to hereby express the gratitude of Mrs. Roys and myself for your most generous gift of last Saturday night. It came as a great and most welcome surprise. I feel very much broken up over last sunday. I was prepared to preach a sermon on Love but you have been kind enough, I am sure, as you always have been, to take the will for the deed.

It did not seem to me that I was taking farewell of a church so much as a home for I had come to look upon the Boxford people more in the light of Brothers and sisters.

My friends who would like to do something more than they already have done to show their

1912 fidelity to me can best do so by being loyal to the new minister.

Sincerely your brother
Edville A. Roys.

A true copy
Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

At a business meeting of the 1st Congl. Church of Boxford held in the Chapel on October 22, 1912. At eight o'clock P.M. the following record was made;

Deacon Killam was in the Chair.

Pastors resignation was read by the Chairman,

Voted To accept the resignation of our Pastor, Rev. Edville A. Roys.

Voted To choose a Committee of three, to act with two members to be chosen by the Parish as a Supply Committee and to make arrangements for a Council to dismiss Rev. Edville A. Roys. (See Dismission by Council, Page 86)

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Chose Deacon John W. Parkhurst } Committee of
" Chester Killam } Supply and
" Robert B. Parkhurst } Council.

Voted That this Committee stand as it is.

Voted That Rev. Albert B. Peabody be asked to offer prayer, and then to adjourn this meeting.

A true record
Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

1912. At a Sunday morning service Dec. 15, 1912. a letter was redd from Earl Killam asking to be dismissed from this Church and recommended to the New England Congregational Church of Saratoga Springs, New York. on the following Sunday Dec. 22, 1912. it was voted to grant his regnest.

1913. On Saturday evening April 26, 1913 the Standing Committee met at the Parsonage to examine the following candidates for admission to this Church namely:- Arthur Webster Morse, John Leonard Killam, Paul Lester Killam, Horace N. Killam and Anna Cleareland Buck.

Their names were read at the Sunday morning service April 27, 1913.

The Church voted to accept them into its membership Friday evening May 2, 1913.

And on Sunday morning May 4, 1913; the following persons were received into the fellowship of this Church. namely:- Rev. Emery L. Bradford, Mrs. Carrie L. Bradford and Miss Ruth Bradford by letters from the 1st Congl. Church of East Weymouth, Mass. Anna Cleareland Buck, and Arthur Webster Morse by Confession, and John Leonard Killam, Paul Lester Killam and Horace N. Killam by Baptism

1913. At the annual business meeting of the 1st Cong.l Church of Bedford held in the Chapel on Wednesday January 22, 1913, at 2:30 P.M.

Dea. T. Perley Killam was in the chair.

Rev. A. B. Peabody was asked to open the meeting with prayer.

Chose. John W. Parkhurst Church Clerk.

Minutes of the last annual meeting and intervening business read and approved.

Chose. Lucie A. Peabody, Church Treasurer.

Voted to accept the report of the Church Treasurer which is as follows:

Report of the Treasurer.

Balance in Church Treas.r Jan. 1912.		$16.62
Recd. March 3.		1.93
May 5.		6.15
Jan. 5. 1913.		3.00
		$27.70
	total	
Paid for Budget envelopes.	$1.50	
" Miss Gilson	1.40	
" Dr. Gutterson	1.50	
" Association tax	9.03	
" for record book for clerk	2.27	
" Dea. Parkhurst	2.28	
" for postage	1.57	
total		$20.03
Bal. in Treas.r		$7.67

1913. Rec'd. and sent to the following societies

To S.S.& Pub. Soc'y	$11.72
" Ministerial Aid Soc.	6.90
" Red Cross Soc. for Famine in China	12.00
To American Miss'y Assoc.	29.12
" American Board.	45.75
" Church Building Soc.	12.20
" Cong'l Home Miss'y Soc.	7.52
Total	$159.21
Given to Anti-Saloon League	$25.
total	$184.21.

With the help of the SS. and two Women's Societies we have sent $242. to the 7 Missionary Societies of our denomination, being $27 more than the Apportionment agreed upon, also $77. to other causes making $319 in all, for the various organizations of the Church.

Lucie A. Peabody.
Treas.

Voted to accept the reports of the Treas. of the Caroline E. Peabody and of Mary Ann Peabody funds which are as follows:

Report of Mary Ann Peabody Fund.
Jan. 22. 1913.

Balance on hand Jan. 1912.	1.03
Received from Savings Bank.	52.82
	$53.85
Paid for Books & Express	$1.87
Balance	1.98
	$53.85
Interest in Bank	$5.27.

1913.

Respectfully submitted
J. P. Killam. Treas.

Report of the Caroline E. Peabody Fund.
Boxford. Jan. 22. 1913.

Received from Savings Bank	$33.00
Paid last years unpaid bill	$6.69
" S.S. papers	6.60
" Library Catalogues	1.90
" Hand-books	.70
Music for Easter.	3.00
S.S. papers.	7.10
Steps for Library.	.75
	26.74
Balance	6.26
	$33.00

Interest in Bank $1.32

Respectfully submitted
J. P. Killam.

Voted To approve the action of the S.S. in its choice of Robert B. Parkhurst as Superintendent.

Voted That we try and raise $250 for the apportionment plan.

Voted To continue the use of the envelope system this year.

Chose Mrs. A. N. Towne, Mrs. S. M. Locke, Miss M. R. Cleveland Solicitors.

Chose Arthur Spaulding } Ushers.
John L. Killam }

Voted That we ask Mr. McAllister to preach again.

Voted to omit the Roll Call.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record
Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

1913. At a business meeting of the Church held in the Chapel on Wednesday evening Feb. 26. 1913. at 8 o'clock the following record was made.

Deacon Killam was in the Chair. Deacon Parkhurst opened the meeting with prayer.

Voted unanimously to extend a call to Rev. Emery L. Bradford to become our Pastor and religious teacher.
namely: John W. Parkhurst, Chester Killam, Robert B. Parkhurst.

Voted that the Supply Committee be a committee to communicate the action of the Church to Mr. Bradford and make arrangements for his Installation ~~etc~~ in case the Parish concur and he accepts.

Voted that the action of this meeting be communicated to Mr. Bradford by the Clerk.

Voted to dissolve this meeting.

A true record
Attest: John W. Parkhurst, Ch. Clerk.

Rev. Emery L. Bradford.

Dear Brother:-

The undersigned, on behalf of the First Congregational Church of Bedford, Mass.

And the First Parish connected therewith, beg leave respectfully to submit to your consideration the following certified copies of recent votes of that Church and Parish.

At a business meeting of the First Congregational Church of Bedford, held on Wednesday evening, Feb. 26. 1913 at 8. o'clock, the following record was made.

Deacon Killam was in the Chair.
Voted unanimously to extend a call to Rev. Emery L. Bradford to become our Pastor and Religious teacher.
Voted that the Supply Committee, namely: John W. Parkhurst, Chester Killam and Robert B. Parkhurst, be a committee to communicate the action of the Church to Mr. Bradford and make arrangements for his Installation in case the Parish concur and he accepts.

A true copy of record.

J. Perley Killam Chairman.
John W. Parkhurst, Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the First Parish held March 7th 1913 it was voted that the Parish concur with the Church in requesting Rev. Emery L. Bradford to become our Pastor, and Religious teacher, the vote being unanimous.

Voted that should he accept our joint invitation the Parish will pay you an annual salary of $1000.00 to be paid in quarterly installments and the use of the Parsonage as long as the relation shall continue.

Voted that Geo. G. Gould & Hiram N. Towne be a committee, to act with the committee of the Church in all procedures made necessary by the above vote.

A true copy

T. Perley Killam. clerk.

Allow us dear sir to add to the invitation conveyed in these votes the expression of our earnest hope that you will be able to see clearly that it is the desire of the Great Head of the Church that you accept this call, and will name an early day for the Installation services.

Yours in the Gospel.

John W. Parkhurst.
Robert B. Parkhurst.
Chester Killam.
George A. Gould.
Hiram N. Towne.
} Committee of the Church and Parish.

Botford. March 12, 1913.

A true copy
John W. Parkhurst
Church Clerk.

1913. See page 75 for names of those admitted May 4, 1913.

At an evening service June 1, 1913. a letter from Mrs. Anna P. Loring asking to be dismissed from this Church and recommended to the 1st Church in Braintree, Mass. was read and granted.

At the Children's day service June 8, 1913, the following infants were baptized:
Rebecca Lucy Parkhurst, infant daughter of Robert B. and Lucy J. Parkhurst.
Irma Bean Tuttle, infant daughter of Charles A. and Irma E. Tuttle.
Stephen Augustus Bixby, infant son of Charles A. Bixby and Clara M. Bixby.
Ernest Mixter Mortimer and Esther Stearns Mortimer, children of Edward K. and Martha E. Mortimer, by the Pastor elect Rev. Emery L. Bradford.

To the First Congregational Church of Bradford, Mass. This Certifies that Anna P. Loring, recommended to our Christian fellowship by you, was, on the Eight day of June A. D. 1913, received into the membership of the First Cong. Church of Braintree, Mass.

June 30. 1913. Attest: Wm. E. Harding, Clerk

A true copy Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

1913. Rev. Emery L. Bradford's Acceptance to Call

Dea. John W. Parkhurst,
Clerk of The First Congregational Church,
Boxford, Massachusetts.

Dea. T. Perley Killam,
Clerk of the Parish of The First Congreaational Church, Boxford, Massachusetts.

Dear Brethren:-

I am in receipt of your communication informing me of the joint action of your Church and Parish extending to me an invitation to become the Pastor of your Church.

The occasion and circumstances in which this whole matter has come about leads me to the clear conviction that it is God's will for us. The heartiness and unanimity with which this invitation comes is a cause for the largest satisfaction on my part, and I gladly accept your call to the Pastorate of your Church with the provisions named in your joint letter of March 12, 1913.

In coming back to you we cannot forget the past. For ten years I was your Pastor, and the memories of our work and its abiding friendships have been the supporting strength of these succeeding years.

We come together, then, not as strangers, but as old friends. The beginnings of our work may lack the zest and pigmancy of the new, but it will have a far greater advantage,- the strength of the familiar and the steadiness of the tried and true. I recognize, as you have

1913. told me frankly and fully, the significant and serious changes of these later years.

I have but one word to say. The work here is the work of the Lord. It is now laid at our hands together to do. It is worthy of the very best we can ~~do~~ put into it. We must now do that work with the fidelity and consecration of Christian men and women. We must do it with the resources we have. That must be all God requires of us. And work so done, with faithfulness, good cheer, courage and hope, will, with the blessing of God, ~~bring~~ bring it satisfying reward.

With all gladness.
For so many years as God may let us work together,
I am sincerely yours,
Emery L. Bradford

Boxford, Mass.
April 9, 1913.

A true copy
Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

× (See Record granting dismission to Mr. & Mrs. Roys, Page 86.)

To the First Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass. This certifies that Rev. Edrille A. Roys, and Mrs. Mabelle F. Roys, recommended to our Christian fellowship by you, were, on the 7 day of Sept. A.D. 1913. received into the membership of the First Congregational Church of Fruitvale (California)
Attest: Mrs. Dora A. Sanders Clerk.

Sept. 20, 1913

1913.

Bedford June 24, 1913, at 9.30 o'clock
In accordance with letters Missive, a council of the neighboring churches met with the Congregational church of Bedford Massachusetts to advise concerning the resignation of Rev. Eddrill A. Roys as pastor of that church.

Rev. Dorrall Lee was chosen Moderator,
Prayer was offered by the Moderator, after which, Deacon C. M. Hills was chosen scribe,
The roll was called as follows,
Topsfield. Deacon E. S. Clifford.
Linebrook Ipswich, Pastor Rev. Wm P. Alcott, and Dea. C. M. Hills
Middleton Rev. Dorrall Lee.
Georgetown Rev. Arthur S. Burrell.
West Bedford was not represented.
The letter of resignation was read, and also the records of the church and society; and questions by the council were answered. the council voted to be by itself; after some consideration of the case it was voted, that we advise the dissolution of the relation between Pastor and Church, also voted that these records be approved and that a copy be given to the church, and also, that a copy be sent to Rev. Mr. Roys. it was then voted to dissolve.

Signed
Deacon C. M. Hills scribe
Rev. Dorrall Lee, Moderator.
A true copy Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

Rev. Edvill Emery L. Bradford was installed the second time June 24, 1913. by Council.

1913. At a Sunday morning service October 5, 1913, Miss Lucie A. Peabody and Deacon T. P. Killam were chosen Delegates to attend the Conference at Beverly, Oct. 8, 1913.

× At a Sunday morning service, June 22, 1913. a letter of dismission was granted to Rev. Edville A. Roys and Mrs. Mabelle F. Roys (his wife) from this Church, (at their request) and recommended to the Fruit-vale Congl. Church of Oakland, California.

At a Wednesday evening meeting, December 31, 1913. a letter from the Broadway Tabernacle Church of New York City dismissing Mrs. Laura J. Brenner, and recommending her to this Church, was read; it was voted to suspend the rule whereby such letters must be read one week before action, and receive her as a member into this Church.

1914. Annual Business Meeting of the 1st Congl. Church of Boxford held in the Chapel on Wednesday, January 28th, 1914. at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of the last annual meeting and intervening business read and approved.

Voted That the Chairman cast one ballot for John W. Parkhurst for Church Clerk.

Chose John W. Parkhurst for Church Clerk.

Voted That the Clerk cast one ballot for Miss Lucie A. Peabody for Church Treasurer.

Chose Lucie A. Peabody for Church Treasurer.

Voted To approve the action of the Sunday School in its election of Robert B. Parkhurst as Superintendent

Voted to accept the Report of the Church Treasurer, which is as follows:-

Report for 1913.

Bal. in Ch. Treasy Jan. 1913			$ 7.67
Recd.	Mar. 2	$ 2.07	
	May 4	5.64	
	Nov. 2	4.66	
	Jan. 18, 1914	2.85	15.22
		total	$ 22.89
Paid for Pledge Envelopes		$ 1.50	
Assoc. Tax for 1912		8.89	
Postage		1.00	
Assoc. Tax for 1913		8.89	
Dea. Parkhurst		2.34	22.62
		Bal.	$ .27

(over)

1914. Received and Forwarded

To the Ministerial Aid	$5.45
S.S. & P. Soc.	9.77
Ch. Bld'g Soc.	9.15
American Board	50.00
Am. Miss. Assoc.	25.00
Cong. Home Miss. Soc.	29.25
Ed. Soc.	7.60
total	$136.22

With the help of the S.S. and Women's Societies we have reached the amount accepted as our apportionment, $250,

Lucie A. Peabody
Treas[r]

Voted to accept the reports of the Treasurer of the Mary Ann Peabody and Caroline E. Peabody funds which are as follows.

Report of Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund

Balance on Hand Jan 22 1913		1.98
Rec from Savings Bank		22.78
		24.76
Paid Am. Board	1.16	
Ex. on Singing books	1.10	
Paid for " "	22.50	
	24.76	

Interest due in Bank 23.09
Jan 28 1914

Respectfully submitted
T. Perley Killam
Treas.

1914. Report of the Caroline E Peabody Fund

Balance Jan 22 1913		$6.26
Rec from Savings Bank		8.00
		14.26
Paid for Easter exercises	1.00	
" " S.S. Papers	.53	
" " Thanksgiving choir	.75	
" " S.S. Papers	7.75	
	$10.03	
Bal on hand	4.23	

Jan. 28 1914

Respectfully submitted
J. Perley Killam Treas.

Interest due in Bank 23.96

Voted that we raise $250. for the benevolent objects of the Church

Voted to adopt the envelope system as used.

Chose Mrs. Hiram N. Town, Miss Lucie A. Peabody, Mrs. J. P. Killam Soliciters.

Voted that the Ch. Treasurer arrange the order of the Ch. Benevolences.

Voted that the Pastor and Deacons revise the roll of the Church. communicate with absent members, with power to act in their own judgement.

Voted that the Pastor appoint a Committee to revise the Library.

Voted that the Pastor be a member of the above Committee.

Voted to choose two Ushers.

Voted That they be chosen by nomination.

1914.
Chose John R. Parkhurst and John L. Killam 3 Ushers.
Voted to reconsider the choice of the two above ushers.
Chose Paul Killam and Robert B. Parkhurst 3 Ushers.
Remarks by the Pastor, followed by a season of Prayer

Voted to adjourn.

A true record
Attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

At a Sunday morning service, April 19, 1914, Rev. Albert B. Peabody was chosen delegate to sit in council with the Topsfield Church on Friday April 24th, 1914 at 3.45 P.M. in the ordination and installation of Mr. Arthur Harold Gilmore.

At a Sunday morning service April 26, 1914, a letter from Mary N. Clearland asking to be dismissed from this Church and recommended to the Maple St. Congl. Church of Danvers, Mass. was read; and at the Preparatory Lecture on Wednesday evening April 29, 1914. it was voted to grant her request.

At a Sunday morning service, May 10, 1914. John W. Parkhurst and Hiram N. Towne were chosen delegates to attend the Spring Session of the Essex South Association to be held at the South Congl. Church Peabody, Mass. on Wednesday, May 13, 1914.

1914. Frank Melvin Gould Jr. infant son of Frank Melvin and Florence M. (Brown) Gould was baptized June 14. 1914 by the Pastor. (Rev. Emery L. Bradford.)

June 8. A. D. 1914.

To the First Congregational Church. Botford, Mass. Greeting.

Rerevend and Beloved;

This may certify to you that Miss Mary V. Cleareland lately a member in covenant with you and by you recommended to our fellowship, on May 3. 1914 was received by vote, as a member in full of the Maple St. Congl. Church in Danvers

Fraternally yours.
Ralph F. Abbott
Clerk.

A true copy
Attest; John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

Sunday morning October 11, 1914. Mr. & Mrs. John W. Parkhurst were appointed Delegates to the Fall meeting of the Essex South Association at the the Central Church, Lynn. Oct. 14, 1914.

1914. At the Preparatory Lecture, October 28. 1914. John W. Parkhurst was chosen Delegate, (with power to chose an alternate, he appointed) to sit in Council with the South Congl. Ch. of Peabody (Mrs. Addie R. Page) in the Installation of the Rev. Jason George Miller Wednesday Nov. 4, 1914, at 4 o'clock P. M.

At the same meeting Deacon T. Perley Killam was chosen Delegate to the Fourth New England Congl. Congress to be held with the Park St. Church Boston, Mass. Nov. 11 and 12, 1914.

Sunday morning Dec. 6, 1914, John W. Parkhurst was appointed delegate (with power to select an alternate if he cannot go) to sit in an ecclesiastical council with the ~~the Ashfield~~ 1st ~~St.~~ Congl. Church in Danvers to install the Rev. Mr. House, on Thursday Dec. 10, 1914 He not being able to attend appointed Miss Bessie Cleaveland to represent this Church.

Sunday morning December 13, 1914, Deacon T. Perley Killam was appointed delegate, (with power to select an alternate if he cannot go) to sit in an Ecclesiastical Council with the Dane Street Congl. Church in Beverly, Mass. to Install the Rev. Richard Herbert Bennett, on Thursday, Dec. 17th, 1914. at 3-45 o'clock P. M.

1915 Sunday morning Jan. 17, 1915, Deacon T. Perley Killam was appointed delegate to sit in an ecclesiastical council with the Trinity Congl. Church of Gloucester to dismiss the Rev. Charles H. Williams on Jan. 20, 1915 (with power to choose an alternate).

At a Sunday morning service Jan. 31. 1915 a letter from Mr. William I. Cummings and his wife Mrs. Mary A. (Gould) Cummings asking to be dismissed from this Church and recommended to the Cong'l Church of Wenham, Mass., was read; It was voted to grant their request at the same meeting.

To the First Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass.
This Certifies that Mr. William I. Cummings, recommended to our Christian fellowship by you, was, on the seventh day of March A.D. 1915 received into the membership of the Congregational Church of Wenham, Mass.

Attest: Benj. H. Conant, Clerk.

Wenham, Mass. March 19, 1915.

To the First Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass.
This Certifies that Mrs. Mary A. (Gould) Cummings, recommended to our Christian fellowship by you, was, on the seventh day of March A.D. 1915 received into the membership of the Congregational Church of Wenham, Mass.

Attest: Benj. H. Conant, Clerk.

Wenham, Mass. March 19, 1915.
A true copy Attest: John W. Parkhurst 2d. Clerk.

1915. Annual Business meeting of the 1st Congl. Church & Society of Essex was held in the Chapel on Wednesday Feb. 10, 1915 at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Records were read and with the correction of the 1st Congl. Church of Essex instead of the Main St. Church of Essex Mass. the Town was installed, they were approved.

Voted that the Chairman cast one ballot for John H. Parkhurst for Church Clerk.

Chose John H. Parkhurst Church Clerk.

John H. Parkhurst declined to serve.

Chose Robert B. Parkhurst Church Clerk.

Robert B. Parkhurst declined to serve.

Chose Amy G. Parkhurst Church Clerk.

Amy G. Parkhurst declined to serve.

Voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for Miss Lucie A. Peabody for Church Clerk.

Miss Lucie A. Peabody declined to serv.

Voted that the Chairman cast one ballot for Amy Parkhurst as Church Clerk.

Amy Parkhurst declined to serve.

Voted that the Chairman cast one ballot for John H. Parkhurst for Church Clerk with Amy G. Parkhurst as assistant Clerk.

Chose John H. Parkhurst Clerk with Amy G. Parkhurst as assistant.

Voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for Miss Lucie A. Peabody for Church Treas-

1915. urer.
Chose Miss Lucii A. Pennoyer, Church Treasurer.
Voted That the Election of Robert B. Parkhurst as Superintendent of the Sunday School be ratified by the Church.
Voted To accept the report of the Church Treasurer which is as follows:-

Report for 1914.

Bal. in Treasury Jan. 1.	$ .27
Rec'd in 3 Offerings	18.73
total	$ 19.00
Expense including assoc. dues of $13.20	17.
bal.	$ 2.
Rec'd and sent to Am. Board.	$ 37.50
A.M.A.	17.20
S.S.& P.S.	6.
C.F.M.S.	35.56
Min. Aid.	7.
Ed.-S.	5.50
C.B.S.	5.75
total	$ 119.51

With $52 - given in the Sunday School, $10 by Ladies' Benevolent Soc. $10 in Cross Club, $22.65 in Auxiliary and miscellaneous gifts of $7. credited to the Church we have reached $223. of the apportionment of $250. for which we aimed.

Additional - gifts

To Salem	$ 29.51.
Boston City Missions	$ 15.

Total - given thru the Church Treas-

1915. ury, #167.

Lucii O. Peabody Treas.

Voted to accept the report of the Mary Ann Peabody Fund, which is as follows.

Report of the Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund.

Whole amount of Fund $1000.00

There was no balance on hand last year.

No money has been received during the year.

Interest in Savings Bank due at this time, $64.69.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Perley Killam. Treas.

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Caroline E. Peabody fund which is as follows,

Report of the Caroline E. Peabody Fund.

Whole amount of Fund	$500.00
Balance on hand Jan. 22, 1914.	4.23
Rec'd. from Savings Bank.	28.50
	$32.73

Paid Collection envelopes	1.20
Easter exercises.	3.35
Bibles	8.95
Chairs and Freight	5.50
U. S. Papers	6.95
	25.65
Balance	7.05

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Total $32.73

Interest in Savings Bank $16.34.

Respectfully submitted.

T. Perley Killam.

Treas.

Voted to adopt the Envelope system this year.

Voted that the same solicitors serve this year as served last viz Mrs. Hiram N. Towne, Miss Lucie A. Peabody and Mrs. T. P. Killam.

Voted that the usher for the Benevolences be arranged by the Pastor and Deacons.

Voted that the same persons serve as Ushers as served last year.

Voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for T. Perley Killam for Deacon for five years.

Chose T. Perley Killam Deacon for five years.

Voted to drop the names of Rev. Laird W. Snell and Mrs. Laird W. Snell from the Church Roll. (Now having united with Episcopal Church).

Voted that Mr. H. N. Towne be a committee of one to see if he can find Joseph Wilkins address.

Meeting closed with prayer by Pastor.

A true record.

Attest: John W. Parkhurst.

Church Clerk.

1915. The Congregational Church of Edgartown, Mass.
To the Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass:
Greeting:

This Certifies that Mrs. Clara A. Mortimer is a member in good and regular standing of the Congregational Church in Edgartown, Mass. And at her own request, is hereby dismissed and recommended to the fellowship and care of the Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass. and when received by it, her membership with this Church will cease. By vote of the Church Theodore S. Wimpenney Clerk.
April 7, A.D. 1915.

Received by vote of the Boxford Church April 28, 1913.

May 9, 1915.
At a Sunday morning service, Chester Killam and John W. Parkhurst were appointed delegates to attend the Essex South Association of Churches at Berverly, Mass. May 12, 1915. with power to choose alterndtes.

At the Preparatory Lecture held on Wednesday eve September 8, 1915. John W. Parkhurst was chosen Delegate to sit in an ecclesiastical council with the Trinity Congregational Church of Gloucester, Mass. to Install the Rev. Albert A. Madsen, Ph. D., on Wednesday afternoon September 15, 1915.

1915. Laura Elizabeth Bremner, infant daughter of Dr. Samuel K. Bremner and Laura (Jackson) Bremner, was Baptized at the home of her parents, Wednesday afternoon, October 13, 1915. by the Rev. Emery L. Bradford Pastor.

At the Communion service November 7, 1915. Ethel Josephine Mortimer infant daughter of Edward K. and Martha E. (Stearns) Mortimer and Ruth Elizabeth Parkhurst, infant daughter of Robert B. and Lucy J. (Killam) Parkhurst were Baptized by the Pastor, Emery L Bradford.

At a Sunday morning service December 26. 1915. John W. Parkhurst was chosen delegate to sit in an Ecclesiastical Council with the Maple Street Congregational Church Danvers, Mass. on Monday Dec. 27th at four o'clock in the afternoon, to install the Rev. Frank W. Merrick, D.D. (with power to choose an alternate).

1916 Annual Business meeting of the First Congl. Church, Boxford, Mass. was held in the Chapel on Wednesday January 26, 1916, at 2-30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.
Records read and approved.
Voted that the Pastor cast one ballot for John W. Parkhurst for Church Clerk.
Chose John W. Parkhurst } Church Clerk.
Voted that the Chairman cast one ballot for Miss Lucie A. Peabody for Church Treasurer.
Chose Miss Lucie A. Peabody } Church Treasurer.
Voted to ratify the action of the Sunday School in the choice of Robert B. Parkhurst as S. S. Superintendent.
Voted to accept the report of the Church Treasurer which is as follows:-

Report of Treasurer for 1915 -

Bal. Jan.		$ 2.00.
Recd. Mar.	2.57	
May	3.16	
July	9.85	
Sept.	11.85	
Total	$ 29.45	[29.43]
Paid for supplies	$ 7.43	
postage	1.10	
Assoc. dues	9.53	
total	18.06	
Bal.		$ 11.39

Recd. & sent to the following

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To Am. Bd-	#31.50
A. M. A.	25.00
Ch. B. Soc.	10.
Ed. Soc.	5.
S.S. & P. Soc.	8.82
Cong. Home M. Soc.	27.27
Mins Aid	5.11
total	#112.70

I have also sent-

To Woman's Bd. for Anxl.	21.50
" " " for Clover Club	7.00
" Wom. H. M. Assoc. from L. B. Soc.	10.
Total passing thro' the Treasurers hands	#151.20

With nearly #45. given by the S.S. and #6. individual gifts to the same work, #2.00. can be credited to our apportionment-

Lucie A. Peabody
Treas of Ch.

Voted that eight dollars #(8.) of the balance now in the Church Treasury be sent to the Armenian relief fund.

Voted to accept the report of the Supt. of the Sunday School which is as follows:-

To the First Cong. Church Boxford.

The S. School under auspices of said church, held 49 sessions year ending 1915.
60 pupils on roll, average attendance 34.
total - 1667.
Special Exercises and collections were taken up for various organizations & Soc: On Jan. 24 - Collec-

1916 tion for Home Miss. Soc. Feb. 14 - Exer. Lincoln's Sunday coll. for A. M. A. Mar. 14, Exerc. Cong. Educ. Soc - Easter Sunday & programme omitted on account of scarlet fever -

Little Cross & Crown System of rewards for attendance continued throughout year - must be dropped or funds raised to continue same.

On Childrens Sunday Special Exercises and collection for Sunday School & Pub Soc -

Rally day in S.S. observed Sept 26 - special exerc. arranged by Mr. Bradford - attendance 53 -

Christmas Concert, taken care of by Mrs. Bradford. " presents by Miss Jeannette Perley & Mrs. R. Parkhurst

Robert B. Parkhurst
Supt.

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Sunday School. which is as follows:

Contributions	$ 55.44
Received for Qt.	4.05
Special Children day collection	5.00
Special Rally day collection	10.00
Making a total of	$ 74.49.

Money Expended	
Home Expenses	$ 26.98
Home Missionary Soc	10.00
American Board	15.00
American Missionary Ass.	7.00
S.S. and Pub. Soc	5.00
Education Soc.	1.25
Boston Poor, Thanksgiving	1.50

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Sunday School association	2.00
Billings Poly technic Institute	5.00

Collection by Classes

Mrs. Gages Class		$ 9.22
Mrs. Stevens	"	6.82
Mrs. Pauls	"	7.07
Mrs. Bradfords former class		1.98
Mrs. Bradfords	"	12.60
Miss Parkhurst	"	6.87
Mrs. Bradfords	"	5.31
Mrs. Killam	"	3.57

Florence M. Averill

Voted To accept the report of the Treasurer of the Clover Club. which is as follows:

Report of Clover Club.

The Club consists now of eleven members with the following officers:—

~~Lydia~~ Lavora Freeman - Pres.

Mildred Parkhurst Sec.

Barbara Perley - Treas.

It meets once in three weeks at the parsonage During the past year its regular work has been the preparation of a Christmas box which was sent to Pleasant Hill, Tenn. a school for Mountain whites. The box contained small dressed dolls, knitted reins, scrap books and pin balls.

Besides this the members prepared and distributed at Thanksgiving fourteen baskets of fruit and jelly to elderly people and shut-ins, while earlier in the season Sunshine boxes were given to children ill with scarlet fever

In June an entertainment was given by the

1916. Club in the Town Hall which netted over twenty three dollars, and at Christmas they furnished the entertainment in the chapel.

They have sent seven dollars to the Children's Missionary in China in whom they are much interested.

Carrie L. Bradford Leader.

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund which is as follows:-

Report of the Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund

Mar. 13 1915

Rec from Savings bank	50 00	
Paid for Library books	48.99	
Balance Jan. 26. 1916		$1.01
Amt. of Interest in Bank abont		$54.69
minus the bill for		55.70
the new books.		

Respectfully submitted

T. Perley Killam Treas.

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Caroline E. Peabody fund, which is as follows:-

Report of the Caroline E. Peabody Fund

Jan 22 1915 Bal. on hand		7.05
Rec from Savings Bank		15.00
		22,05
Paid Freight on book	2.11	
S.S. supplies	3.60	
" " Papers	98	
" " Easter expenses	2.47	
" " Papers	872	17,88

1916 Balance Jan. 26 1916 4.17

Respectfully submitted
J Perley Killam Treas

Amt of Interest in Bank $22.06

Voted to adopt the Envelope system this year same as last.

Voted that the same solicitors serve this year as served last, namely:- Mrs. Hiram N. Towne, Miss Lucie A. Peabody and Mrs. J. Perley Killam

Voted that the same Ushers serve this yeah as served last, namely Paul Killam and Robert B. Parkhurst.

Voted to take up a collection for the Armenian relief fund.

Voted that the Ladies Benevolent Society be asked to make a report at the Annual Church business meetings.

Voted that there be a general Committee on decorations for the Church Sundays.

Voted that Miss Florence Averill, John L. Killam and Mrs. Bradford serve as the General Decoration Committee.

Voted That the Pastor write to Mrs. Helen Eaton and ask her if she wishes a letter to some other Church.

Meeting closed with prayer.

A true record
Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

1916. Sunday evening Feb. 20, 1916, the Standing Committee met the following Candidates at the Parsonage, namely:— Frank Stone Noyes, Annie [redacted] Noyes, Ethel May Noyes, Dwight Lewis Killam and Frederik Arthur Buxton Feb. 27, 1916 their names were propounded for membership to this Church.
March 1, they were voted into the Church. and March 5, 1916 they were all baptized and received into the fellowship of this Church.

On Friday evening April 21, 1916, the Church voted to grant to Mrs. Ansel Eaton (No. 114) a letter of dismission and a letter of recommendation to the Congl. Church of North Reading, Mass.

On Saturday evening, April 29, 1916, the Standing Committee met Miss Effie Florence Mortimer at the Parsonage, her name was propounded for membership to this Church, Sunday morning, April 30, 1916. On Wednesday evening May 3, 1916 the Church voted to receive her into the fellowship of this Church, and May 7, 1916, she was Baptized and received into the fellowship of this Church.

Sunday morning, October 8th 1916. Deacon T. Perley Killam and Mrs. Killam were appointed delegates to attend Essex South Ass. of Churches in Beverly October 12th, 1916, with power to choose alternates.

Ralph Clifton Gould, son of Frank N. and Florence M. (Brown) Gould, was Baptized by the Pastor, July 2, 1916.

1916. To the First Congregational Church of Botford, Mass.

This Certifies that Mrs. Ansel Eaton, recommended to our Christian fellowship by you, was, on the seventh day of May A.D. 1916, received into the membership of the Union Congregational Church of North Reading, Mass

Attest: Bessie L. McLane, Clerk.

May 9. 1916.

A true copy
Attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

Sunday morning, Oct. 15. 1916. Hiram N. Towne was appointed Delegate to sit in an ecclesiastical council with the Tabernacle Church of Salem, Mass. October 19. 1916 at 7.30 P.M. to Install Rev. Oliver Hart Bronson. (with power to choose an alternate.)

1917. At the Annual Business Meeting of the 1st. Congl Church in Bolford, Mass, held in the Chapel Wednesday afternoon Jan. 31. 1917 at 3, o'clock P.M. the following record was made.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Minutes of intervening business since last meeting were read.

Voted to accept and adopt the minutes as read.

Voted that the Pastor cast one ballot for John H. Parkhurst for Church Clerk.

Chose John H. Parkhurst Church Clerk.

Voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for Miss Lucie A. Peabody for Church Treasurer.

Chose Miss Lucie A. Peabody, Church Treasurer.

Voted that the Church ratify the Choice of the Sunday School in the Choice of Robert B. Parkhurst as Superintendent.

Voted that the Chairman cast one ballot for John H. Parkhurst for Deacon for the comming five years.

Voted to accept the report of the Church Treasurer which is as follows:

Treasurer's Report for 1916.

Bal. Jan. 1916 in the Ch. Treasury.			$11.39
Recd July 2			5.73
Recd Nov. 5			6.20
		total	$26.32
Voted for Armenian Aid.	$8		
Paid State Asso. tax.	9.08		$24.69
Home Expenses	7.61	bal.	$1.63

1917. Offerings rec'd for the following.

Ministerial Aid.	$7.00
S. Sch. & Pub. Soc.	6.20
Am. Bd. for Armenian Aid.	8.00
Am. Miss. Assoc.	13.65
Armenian and Syrian Relief.	44.00
Babies' Hospital, Salem	30.00
American Board.	36.50
Church Building Soc.	37.00
Cong'l. Home Miss. Soc.	53.80
Educational Soc.	6.85
Anti-Saloon League.	11.40
Total	$254.40

$200. was the sum accepted as our apportionment. With the gifts of the S. School, Aux'y, L. B. Soc. and the Clover Club we reached $227.54.

Lucie A. Peabody,
Treas.

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Mary Ann Peabody Fund which is as follows:

Bedford, Jan. 31. 1917.

Report of Treas. of Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund.

Balance on hand Jan. 26. 1916.	$1.01
Rec'd from Savings Bank	53.50
	$54.51
Amt Due Treas.	2.23
	$56.74

Paid for Books and Library Supplies $56.74

1917. Respectfully submitted
T. Perley Gillam.

Amt. of Interest in Bank $42.93.

Voted to accept the report of the Treas., of the Caroline Peabody Fund which is as follows:

Botford Jan. 31. 1917.

Report of Treas. of Caroline E. Peabody Fund.

Balance on hand Jan. 20. 1916.	$4.17
Rec. from Savings Bank.	11.00
	$15.17
Paid for S.S. Supplies →	14.55
Balance	.62
	$15.17

Amt. of Interest in Bank $32.14.

Voted that the report of the Treasurer of the Ladies' Benevolent Society be accepted, and incorporated in the records of the Church. It is as follows:

Report of Treas. L.B. Society.

Balance on hand Oct. 1st 1915.	$54.50
Received for the year	166.02
total	$220.52
Paid out for the year	130.83
Oct. 1st 1916 Balance.	89.69

Paid

Parish	$75.00
U.H.M.A.	10.00
Electric Lights in Chapel.	15.00
Other Purposes	30.83

1917. Received

Mem. fees.	$7.75
Harvest Supper.	22.88
May Supper.	12.00
Lawn Party.	155.34
Garden Party.	5.00
Fancy articles and aprons.	2.75
Check	10.00
Int.	.30
Bill —	$60.00

Voted that the report of the Clover Club be accepted and incorporated in the Church record, which is as follows:

Clover Club.

The report of the Clover Club will vary little from that of last year. There are new officers.

Pres. Elizabeth Freeman.
Sec. Savrinda Parkhurst.
Treas. Clara Killam.

The membership is twelve, including practically all girls in town between eight and the High School age. The meetings are held on Saturday afternoons every third week. They are always opened with a devotional service and a short talk by the leader on some practical topic pertaining to growth in character. Then follows a period of work for the Christmas box always in preparation, and the afternoon

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ends with play - and refreshments.
The Club has sent $7 to the Children's Missionary in China, ($5 to the Parish) a Christmas box and four dozen handkerchiefs to Pine Mt. School, Ky., distributed fourteen baskets at Thanksgiving to aged and shut-ins, besides occasional smaller gifts to the sick.
The leader asks the co-operation and sympathetic interest of the parents and friends of the girls. She feels that prompt and regular attendance regular contribution and participation in all the plans of the Club are essential to its best work, as well as of prime importance in the forming of those habits that in later years are so desirable, namely, punctuality, responsibility, open handedness and a live interest in the needs of others. These girls are to be the women of the Church!
What sort do we want them to be?

Voted to accept the report of the Superintendent of the Sunday School which is as follows:

Report of Sunday School of First Cong. Church Bedford.

The Sunday School of the First Cong. Church, Bedford held 47 Sessions during the year 1916. Observed special Sundays such as Lincoln Sunday, Easter, Childrens' Sunday, Rally Sunday, Thanks

1917. giving and Christmas. Special programs were prepared and given on these occasions. Offerings were given to A.M.A. Long. Educational Society and American Board.

Continued plan of giving Little Cross and Crown Fins for rewards for perfect attendance in S.S. The Superintendent wishes to again make plea that the Church adopt her child, the S.S. Care for her needs and take a general interest in the way she should go. As a child she offers great possibilities for the Church.

P.B. Parkhurst.
Supt.

Voted that the Church pay the running expenses of the Sunday School the coming year.

Voted that we adopt the Envelope System this year.

Voted that the same Solicitors serve this year as served last year, namely: Mrs. Abram N. Towne, Miss Lucie A. Peabody and Mrs. Nellie Gilman.

Voted that the matter of choosing 1 deacon be left with the Pastor and Deacons.

Voted that the report of the Auxiliary be accepted and incorporated in the Church records. It is as follows:

Report of the Aux't.

24 members belong to the Aux't to the Woman's Board. 9 meetings have been held with programs alternating on Foreign and Home work. $15 was sent to the Branch for the regular work and later $5.50 to the Golden

1917 Anniversary Fund which is used for new buildings in missionary lands.

L.A. Peabody.
Sec.

Voted that it is the sentiment of this meeting to have individual cups for Communion Service.

Voted that the matter of choosing some one to take care of the Communion Service be left with the Pastor and Deacons.

Voted that our Pastor be the Committee to represent the Church if the Church, Parish and Proprietors unite.

Our Pastor declined to serve.

Chose Deacon Killam to represent the Church if the Church, Parish and Proprietors unite in the future.

Voted to adjourn.

Meeting closed with prayer.

A true record
Attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

At the Communion service, March 4, 1917, Allen Mayhew Mortimer, infant son of Ernest W. and Clara A. (Walker) Mortimer, was Baptized by the Pastor, Rev. Emery L. Bradford.

1917. Mrs. Nathaniel L. Howe, presented to the Church a silver Individual Communion Service, which was used for the first time on Sunday morning, May 6th 1917. Rev. Emery L. Bradford officiating.

On Children's Sunday, June 10, 1917. Priscilla Small, infant daughter of Edward Evans & Anna Clearland (Buck) Small, was baptized by the Pastor, Rev. Emery L. Bradford.

Sunday morning June 24. 1917, Charles C. Reed's name was propounded, June 27 at the Preparatory service the Church voted to receive him into the fellowship of this Church. and at the Sunday morning service July 1. 1917. he was baptized by the Pastor.

At the Preparatory service Wednesday evening Sept. 5, 1917. the Church voted to suspend rule I Part III of Standing Rules and to accept Mrs. Helen M. Wyman into the fellowship of this Church, she having been recommended by the Walpole Congl. Church of Walpole, Mass.

Sunday morning October 7. 1917. the Pastor appointed Mrs. Abbie R. Gage and Mrs L. Helen Stevens as Delegates to attend the Fall session of the South Essex association of Churches to be held October 12, 1917 at the South Congl. Church of Peabody, with power to choose their alternates if they cannot attend.

1918. The Annual business meeting of the First Congregational Church of Boxford was held in the Chapel on Monday Jan. 30, 1918 at 2-15 P.M.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer

Records of last annual meeting and intervening business were read and approved.

Voted That the Pastor cast one ballot for Jos. H. Parkhurst for Church Clerk.

Chose John H. Parkhurst Church Clerk.

Chose Miss Lucie A. Peabody Church Treasurer.

Voted to ratify the action of the Sunday School in the election of Robert B. Parkhurst as Sunday School Superintendent.

Voted to accept the report of the Church Treasurer and spread it on the Church records, which is as follows:

Report of Church Treasurer for 1917.

For Home Expenses

Bal. Jan. 1917.	$1.63
Recd Apr. for Flags	9.60
July 1.	11.60
July 8. for S.S.	11.20
Sept. 9	10.37
Total	$44.40

Paid for Flags	9.60
S.S. Supplies	9.11
State Conference Dues	12.40

1918.

Flowers	$6.00
Pledge Envelopes	1.56
Postage	1.03
Communion Supplies	1.10
Total	$40.80

Bal. $3.60

Rec'd and sent to the following Societies.

Ministerial Aid	$6.50
S.S. and Pub. Soc.	6.70
Church Building Soc.	8.11
Red Cross	7.00
American Board	50.00
Am. Miss.y Assoc.	35.00
North Shore Babies Hospital	26.01
Cong.l Educational Soc.	16.85
Cong.l Home Miss.y Soc.	19.60
Local Red Cross Guy.d	16.15
Women's Home Miss.y Assoc.	5.00
Armenian and Syrian Relief	13.25
Total	$210.20

Other gifts.

Clover Club.	$7.
Guy.d to W.B.M.	14.
L.B.S. to W.H.M. Assoc.	5.
	$26

Lucie A. Peabody.
Treas.

Voted to accept the report of the S.S. Superintendent including the report of the S.S. Treasurer, which is as follows,

1918. Report of First Congregational Sunday School Bedford, Mass. 1917.

During te stormy Sundays, vacation for month of August, and scarlet fever, scare the school only held forty two sessions.

The Church having assumed the financial responsibility of the shool, the Tercentenary plan of giving was adopted. thereby the collections of the Sunday School going to the different Societies as appointed by their Commission for each month.

The various Sundays such as Lincoln Sunday Easter, Children's Sunday and Christmas were observed with special exercises.

at Christmas it was thought best to adopt the White Gifts or giving programme, the Children were assembled in the Chapel in the afternoon, they brought their gifts, played games, a few gifts were given to the smaller children, they enjoyed some refreshments, then stereopticon pictures of the boyhood of Christ; afterwards the Childrens gifts were crated and sent to the Little Wanderers Home in Boston.

Robert B. Parkhurst,
Supt.

Money used for Sunday School expense $8.35
from Sec. report—
$35.08 - going to Home Miss. Soc. A.M.A.
Church Building Soc. Ministerial Relief -
S. S. and Pub. Soc. North Shore Baby Hospital

1918. Sunday School Ass. Womens Board - American Board - & Armenian Syrian Relief.

Voted that the S.S. Treas. be asked to complete her report so it can be incorporated in the Church records.

Voted to accept the reports of the Treas. of the Mary Ann Peabody fund and the Caroline E. Peabody fund which are as follows.

Jan. 29, 1918.

Report of Treas. of Mary Ann Peabody Fund

Received from Savings Bank. $42.93

Paid for Books Postage and Acct of last year $42.93

Amount due Treas. on last years account $1.13

Respectfully submitted

F. Perley Killam. Treas.

Jan. 29, 1918.

Report of Caroline E. Peabody Fund.

Balance on hand Jan 31. 1917. .62

Rec. from Savings Bank 10.00

$10.62

Paid for S.S. Papers. 8.90

Balance 1.72

10.62

Respectfully submitted

F. Perley Killam Treas.

Am. of interest in Bank $43.62

Voted to accept the report of the Treas. of the Ladies Benevolent Society and place it on the records, which is as follows;

1918. Report of L. B. S.

	Received.
Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1917.	89.52.
Rec. during year. membership fees.	6.50.
Lawn Party	81.40
Harvest Supper	23.05.
Mrs. Howe for Carpet Fund	10.00
May Supper	10.86
other sources	14.49
	$235.82

Paid.

Parish	$75.00
W. H. M. A.	10.00
Carpet Fund	35.00
Flowers for Mrs. Ayers.	3.00
Red Cross	5.00
Sewing Material	11.67
Lawn Party Expenses	4.15
C. A. Bixby	9.11
other expenses	6.92

Sent Miss Georgia Washington barrel of clothing valued at $50

Voted that the same solicitors serve another year namely; Mrs. Towne, Miss Peabody, and Mrs. T. F. Killam.

Chose Mrs. Robert Packhurst, Miss Amy Packhurst and Miss Regina Crawford as a decorating Committee.

Voted That the Church assume the responsibility of the running expenses of the Sunday School the coming year.

1918
Voted to adopt the Envelope system the coming year, the same as last year.

Pastor closed the meeting with prayer.

~~A true record.~~

~~Attest:~~

~~Church Clerk.~~

The following is the completed report of the Sunday School Treasurer.

Balance in Treasury Jan. 1 1917.	$11.99
Contributions	36.33
Received for Quarterlies	.78
Childrens Day Offering for Armenian and Syrian Relief.	6.00
	$55.10

Money expended.

Home Expenses	8.35
Home Missionary Soc.	2.70
A. M. A.	2.88
Education Soc.	3.00
Church Building Soc.	3.00
Ministerial Aid	3.00
S. S. and Pub. Soc.	3.00
North Shore Babies Hospital.	3.00
S. S. Association	1.50
Womans Board	6.00
Armenian + Syrian Relief	6.00
American Board	6.00
	$46.43

Leaving a bal. in Treasury Jan 1. 1918 $8.67

A true record. Attest: Wm W. Parkhurst, Church Clerk.

1918 Sunday morning May 19. 1918. the Church voted to grant a letter of dismission to Mrs. Nathaniel L. Howe and a letter of recommendation to the Rutgers Presbyterian Church of New York.

She was received into the membership of the Rutgers Presbyterian Church of New York. on the 2nd day of June 1918. as stated by Scott Foster, Clerk. of said Church.

Attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

On Children's Sunday, June 9. 1918. The following Infants were Baptized. Louise Woodman Mortimer. infant daughter of Edward K. and Martha E. (Sterns). Evelyn Florence Gould, and Everett Preston Gould, Twins. of Frank M. and Florence M. (Brown). Claude Howell Phillips Jr. son of Claude H. and Eva M. (Bixby).

At this same service an invitation was read from the second Congregational Church in North Beverly. Mass. asking this Church to be present by Pastor and Delegate in an ecclesiastical council, to examine and ordain, Harold E. L. May in view of special work now before him. namely. Home Missionary work in Maine. at their place of worship on Wednesday, the twelfth day of June 1918 at 4 o'clock P. M.

It was voted to accept the invitation and send Pastor and Delegate. the Pastor appointed Deacon T. Perley Killam as Delegate and they both attended.

Attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

On Sunday morning Mar. 31. 1918. Mrs. Florence (Stanley) Butterfield was received into the fellowship of this Church by Confession.

1919. Sunday morning January 19. 1919. an invitation was read from the Dane Street Congl. Church of Beverly, Mass. asking this Church to be present by Pastor and Delegate in an ecclesiastical council to act on the resignation of Rev. Richard H. Bennett, on Thursday, the 23rd day of January, 1919 at 4 o'clock P.M. Deacon T. Perley Killam, was appointed Delegate, by the Pastor, with power to appoint alternate.

Attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk
~~Town~~

1919. The Annual Business Meeting of the First Congregational Church of Boxford was held in the Chapel January 29, 1919 at 2-45 P.M.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Minutes of last meeting and intervening business were read and approved.

Voted That the Chairman cast one ballot for John A. Parkhurst for Church Clerk.

Voted John A. Parkhurst Church Clerk.

Voted To ratify the action of the Sunday School in the election of Robert B. Parkhurst as Sunday School Superintendent.

Voted To accept the report of the Treasurer of the Mary Ann Peabody Fund which is as follows:

Boxford Jan. 29. 1919.

Report of the Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund.

Rec. from Savings Bank $61.28

Paid for books and supplies 47.79

Bal. on hand $13.41

Interest in Bank from April 1. 1918.

Respectfully submitted.

F. Perley Fillam.

Treas.

Voted To accept the report of the Treasurer of the Caroline E. Peabody fund which is as follows:

Report of Caroline E. Peabody Fund.

Boxford Jan 29. 1919.

1919. Balance on hand Jan 28. 1918 $1.72
Paid Mrs. Killam for S.S. Supplies 1.50
Balance on hand .22
Interest in Savings Bank. $3.62

Respectfully submitted.
J. Perley Killam,
Treas.

Voted To accept the report of the Church Treasurer which is as follows:

Report of Church Treasurer.

Some Expenses

Bal. Jan. 1918.	$3.00
Recd. June	9.25
Sept.	11.03
Nov.	5.76
total	$29.04

Paid

For S.S. Supplies + Postage &c	$20.37
" Com. Table	.75
" Flowers	6.39
" Postage	.50
total	$29.04

Voted To accept the report of the S.S. Superintendent which is as follows:

Report of the First Cong. Sunday School.
Year ending Dec. 31, 1918.

Held 41 sessions. Membership on roll at beginning of year 70, at the close 37. Average for 28.

Sessions cut down by stormy Sundays, vacation in August and influenza epidemic in fall. Held special exercises on Lincoln Sunday

Voted To accept and Children's Sunday Committee's
Dec. 23. report and appropriate for the children,
candy and manger were distributed.
Robert B. Parkhurst, Supt.

Voted To accept the report of the S.S. Treasurer
which is as follows:

Home Missionary Soc.	$6.00
American Missionary Assoc.	3.00
Education Soc	2.50
Church Building Soc.	2.50
Vineland ~~Dist~~ Policy.	2.50
S.S. Extension Soc.	16.00
Womans Board of Missions	6.00
American Board.	6.00
Mass. S.S. Association.	1.50
	$46.00

Balance in Treas. Jan. 1, 1918.	$5.67	
Contributions	41.00	
Childrens' day offering for S.S. Extension.	$13.00	
	$62.67	
	46.00	
Balance in Treas. Jan. 1, 1919.	$16.67	

Florence M. Averill.

Voted To accept the report of the Benevolent Committee of the Church for 1918 which is as follows:

Benevolent Offering for 1918.

Name	Entertainment.	From Church.	From S.S.	Total
American Board.	$77.55	$51.50	6.00	$57.50
Womans Board.	35.25	17.50	6.00	23.50
Bapt. Home Missions.	32.90	40.00	6.00	46.00
Womans Home Missions	28.20	11.65		11.65

1919.					
	Am. Miss'y Assn.	$25.85	$27.00	$3.00	$30.00
	Congl. Church Building.	$13.52	13.52	2.50	16.02
	Congl Education Society.	12.92	8.35	2.50	10.85
	Congl Sunday Sch. Extension	5.28	7.64	16.00	23.64
	" " ministerial Relief	3.53	5.00	2.50	7.50
		$235.00	181.66	44.50	226.16

Other gifts:

North Shore Babies	$41.00
Mass. S.S. Association	1.50

Voted that the matter of Pastor's Assistant be left with the Pastor.

Voted that the same solicitors serve this year, as served last year namely: Mrs. Towne, Miss Peabody and Mrs. F. A. Killam.

Voted to continue the use of the envelope system.

Voted that the Church pay the S. S. expenses this year.

Voted that we have a Decorating Committee.

Chose Mrs. Isaac H. Sawyer
Miss Esther Cooley
Mrs. Edna E. Cochrane
} Decorating Committee.

Voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for Miss Lucie A. Peabody for Church Treasurer.

Chose Miss Lucie A. Peabody Church Treasurer.

Meeting was adjourned.

A true record.
attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

1919. At a Sunday morning service March 30. 1919 the Church voted to accept an invitation of the Tabernacle Church, Salem, and to be represented by the Pastor and a Delegate in an Ecclesiastical Council on Tuesday (April 1) P. M. at 3 o'clock in the afternoon to install Rev. William H. Spence as Pastor.
Paul D. Killam was appointed Delegate with the Pastor with power to appoint an Alternate in case he cannot attend.

At a Sunday morning service, April 27, 1919. the Church voted to grant letters of dismission to Anna Hooker Morse and Arthur Webster Morse and letters of recommendation to the Old South Church in Boston

At a Sunday morning service, October 12, 1919. Deacon J. Perley Killam and Paul Killam were appointed delegates to attend the Essex South Association of Congl. Churches and Ministers, Fall Session, Tuesday, October 14, 1919. at South Church, Salem, Mass.

At this same time Robert B. Parkhurst was appointed a delegate to attend the ordination of Charles C. Keith at the Immanuel Congl. Church in Beverly, Mass. on Wednesday, October 15. 1919. at 4 o'clock P. M.

1919. After the Sunday morning service, November 9, 1919. the Pastor (Rev. Emery L. Bradford) wished the Church to take action, relative to his being installed as Pastor of the Linebrook Church, in connection with this church.

Deacon Parkhurst was asked by the Pastor, to act as Chairman of the meeting.

Voted that Mr. Bradford be given permission to be installed over the Linebrook Church.

Mr. Bradford was notified of the action of the Church by the Church Clerk.

Attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

At a Sunday morning service, December 14, 1919. the Pastor appointed Chester Killam and John W. Parkhurst as Delegates to sit in an Ecclesiastical Council with the Linebrook Congregational Church of Ipswich, on Wednesday, Dec. 17. 1919. in the Installation of Rev. Emery L. Bradford as Pastor of that Church.

1920. Annual business meeting of the 1st Congl. Church, Botford, Mass, was held in the Chapel on Wednesday, Jan. 28, 1920. at 8-25 o'clock P.M. After a supper in the Vestry.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of last Annual meeting and intervening business, were read and approved.

Chose John W. Parkhurst } Church Clerk.

Chose Dwight L. Killam } Church Treasurer.

Voted that the Church ratify the election of Robert B. Parkhurst as Sunday School Supt.

Chose T. Perley Killam } Deacon for five years.

Voted that the Pastor appoint five young ladies for a decorating committee

Voted to accept the report of the Church Treasurer. as follows:-

Benevolence 1919.

	Pledge	Church	Sun.Sch.	Total	Deficit
Foreign Missions	$75	$60.80	6.60	67.40	9.60
Home Missions	50	43.40	6.60	50.00	
Womans Home Miss.	15	15 00		15	
American Miss. Ass.	50	31.56	5.55	37.11	12.89
				12.11	1289
Education	25	8.81	3.30	~~15~~	
Church Building	15	11.70	3.30	15	
Sunday Sch. Ext.	15	11.70	330	15	
Ministers Relief	10	5.50	3.30	8.80	120

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Mary Ann Peabody fund. which is as follows:- Jan. 27, 1929 1919.

Report of the Mary Ann Peabody Fund

Balance on hand Jan. 29, 1919.	13.41	Paid for books	29.93
Rec from Savings Bank	20.50	Balance	3.98
	33.91		33.91

Respectfully submitted T. Perley Killam, Treas.

Amount of interest in bank 48.51

1920.

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Caroline E. Peabody fund. which is as follows:-

Jan 27 1920

Report of the Caroline E. Peabody Fund

Balance on hand Jan. 29, 1919.		.22
Rec from savings Bank		43.80
		44.02
Paid for flowers	16.50	
" Conference tax	12.30	
" Envelopes	1.25	
" S.S. Papers	11.54	
" " " Supplies	3.34	
	44.93	
Balance due the treasurer		.91
		44.93

Respectfully submitted

T. Perley Killam

Treas.

Amount of interest in bank 48.14

Voted to accept the report of the Supt. of the Sunday School, as follows:-

Report of Sunday School, 1st Cong Church Botford.

Year 1919 school held 41 sessions, enrolled membership of 33, total attendance 1157, average attendance 28.21, largest attendance 40 on June 22, smallest 21 on Oct 5th.

Special exercises held on Feb. 9 Lincoln Sunday, Easter, giving out of plants, Childrens Sunday interesting programme in charge of Miss Amy Parkhurst's class, Sunday School picnic held June 26 Bluffs, Plum Island, transportation furnished by Towns people, fare on boat provided from Sunday School Fund, 65 on boat, few

1920. joined from Linebrook Sunday School, good crowd and good time, school closed for month of Aug. Special Christmas Exercises on Dec 21, Christ the Nations King. The school adopted the Honor School Standard, or gold seal for its Missionary giving which amounts to 10¢, for each member enrolled, per month. Collection amounted to $1.03 in all.

The School has a very good Library with a fine Collection of book that ought to be used more than it is.

It would seem to the Supt that 41 sessions per year with one half hour per Sunday for lesson period is an altogether short period for the instruction in Bible knowledge and guidance in spiritual welfare of our young people. Sincerely hope that ways may be found to make for advancement in the system of education in Sunday School work, to put it on a plane with, or at least making it equally important with day school education, for our young people may attend the highest schools and colleges of the land, gaining endless education, but if they fail to get that portion of education that feeds and enriches the spiritual part of their lives, just so will their lives be dwarfed and narrow.

Thanking one and all for the support given, which alone makes it possible to continue Sunday School work am,

Robert B. Parkhurst.
Supt.

Voted to accept the report of the Sunday School Treasurer which is as follows:—

1919. Balance in Treasury Jan 1. 1919. $16.67
Contributions 45.95
Childrens Day offering 8.41
$71.03

Money Expended.

Home Missionary So.	$6.60	
A.M.A.	5.55	
Education So.	3.30	
Church building	3.30	
Ministerial Relief	3.30	
Sunday School Extention	3.30	
American Board	6.60	
Woman's Board of Missions	6.60	
Mass. S.S. Association	1.50	
Paid into Church Treas.	10.54	
Paid for 2 quarterlies	8.22	
		$58.81
Leaving a balance in Treas.		$12.22

Voted that we adopt the Percentage plan in giving our Benevolent Offerings, and that the matter of Publicity be left with the Pastor.

Voted that the Collection Plates presented by Mrs. Mary E. Hurlbutt be accepted and that the Clerk extend to her the thanks of the Church.

Voted that we show our appreciation of the long and faithful service of Miss Lucie A. Peabody as Church Treasurer, and that the thanks of the Church be extended to her by the Clerk.

Voted to dissolve the meeting. A true record

Attest: John H. Parkhurst, Clerk.

1920 At a Sunday Morning service, March 28, 1920, a letter of dismission was granted to John Rodney Parkhurst, and a letter of recomendation to The First Methodist Episcopal Church of Portsmouth, N.H.

To the First Congregational Church of Bedford, Mass.

This Certifies that John R. Parkhurst, recommended to our Christian fellowship by gon, was, on the 4th day of April A.D. 1920, received into the membership of the First M.E. Church of Portsmouth, N.H.

Attest Elmer F. Newell, Pastor

Apr. 9, 1920.

A true copy Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Church Clerk.

March 28, 1920. Deacon T. Perley Killam and Deacon John W. Parkhurst were chosen Delegates to attend the International Conference of Congregational Churches to be held at Boston, from June 29 to July 6, 1920.

April 25, 1920, Deacon T. Perley Killam and Miss Florence H. Janes, were appointed deligates to sit in an ecclesiastical Council, at the Congl. Church, Topsfield, Mass. to examine and Install the Rev. Charles E. Reeves, on April 28, 1920. at 2,30 oclock P.M.

April 24, 1920. Miss Mildred Holt Parkhurst and Lavinda Parkhurst met the Standing Committee at the Parsonage. Their names were propounded April 25, and on May 2, 1920. the Church voted to receive them into its fellowship, at which time they were both baptized.

1920. May 9. 1920. Robert B. Parkhurst and George B. Parkhurst, were appointed Delegates (with power to appoint Alternates.) to attend the Essex South Association of Churches to be held at Rockport. May 12, 1920.

On Children's Sunday, June 13. 1920. Virginia Hope Spaulding, infant daughter of Arthur A. and Ethel (Buck) Spaulding, was baptized by the Pastor, Rev. E. L. Bradford.

Sept. 12. 1920. Robert B. Parkhurst was appointed Delegate (with power to appoint an alternate) to attend an ecclesiastical council with the Dane Street, Congl. Church in Beverly, Mass. on Wednesday, Sept. 15. 1920. at three o'clock P. M. to install Rev. William Emerson Jones, Ph. D.

November 14. 1920. the Church voted to grant letters of dismission to Lawson B. Twitchell and Lillian S. Twitchell and letters of recommendation to the Cong'l. Church in Holliston, Mass.

To the First Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass.
This Certifies that Lawson B. Twitchell, recommended to our Christian fellowship by you, was, on the Sixth day of November A. D. 1920, received into the membership of the First Congregational Church of Holliston, Massachusetts. Attest M. G. Abbott Clerk. — 1920.

To the First Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass.
This Certifies that Lillian S. Twitchell, recommended to our Christian fellowship by you, was, on the Sixth day of November A. D. 1920, received into the membership of the First Congregational Church of Holliston, Mass. Attest: M. G. Abbott Clerk.) A true copy Attest: John M. Parkhurst Church Clerk.

1921 At the Communion service, held on January 2, 1921, it was voted to suspend Rule 1, Part IV; and receive Mrs. Mary B. Manny and Frank A. Manny into the fellowship of this Church, they having been recommended to this Church by the First Congregational Church of Indianapolis

Attest: John W. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

1921 Annual business meeting of the 1st Congl. Church of Bolford, Mass. was held in the Chapel, on Tuesday evening February 1. 1921. at 8-25 o'clock P.M. After a supper in the Vestry.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of last annual meeting and intervening business were read and approved.

Chose Frank A. Manny } Church Clerk.

Chose Dwight L. Killam } Church Treasurer

Voted that the Church ratify the election of Robert B. Parkhurst as Sunday School Superintendent

Voted to accept the report of the Church Treasurer, which is as follows:—

Treasurer's report for the year 1920 of the First Congregational Church Bolford.

Balance in Treasurer Jan 1 1920	$2.86
Regular collections throughout the year aside from pledges	
February	.75
March	2.45
April	5.08
May	4.11
June	11.83
July	19.80
August	20.68
September	6.33
October	6.72
November	3.76
Decaember	3.21
Total	84.72

1921

$84.72

Special Collection for North Shore Babies Hospital 36.23

Making a Total of all collections $120.95

There were 39 pledges which have all been paid

4	giving	$24.	each	96.—
1	"	15		15.—
7	"	12	each	84.—
1	"	10		10—
8	"	6	each	48.—
3	"	5	"	15.—
1	"	4		4.—
11	"	3	each	33.
1	"	4.80		4.90
1	"	1.80		1.80
1	"	2.40		2.45
39			Total	314.15

This makes an average of $8.05½ per person

Total Receipts for the year $435.10

Receipts $435.10

The expenses for the year are as follows:—

To the missionary work.

The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions	$105.93
The Woman's Board of Missions	48.15
Congregational Home Missionary Society	44.94
American Missionary Association	35.31
The Congregational Church Building Society	18.46
The Congregational Educational Society	20.88
Congregational Sunday School Extension Society	4.02
Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief	4.81
The Woman's Home Missionary Association	38.52
Botford Auxilary of the Woman's Board of Missions	19.—

1921. This makes a total of 340.02
for missionary work.

Other expenses –

North Shore Babies Hospital	36.23
Sunday School bill to the Congregational Publishing & Society	10.11
Communion expenses	1.98
Printing	2.50
Total	50.82

This makes a total of all expenses $390.84
This leaves a balance in Treasury Jan 1, 1921 $47.12

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Mary Ann Peabody fund which is as follows:-

Voted to accept the report of the Treasurer of the Caroline E. Peabody fund which is as follows:-

Voted to accept the report of the Sunday School Superintendent which is as follows:-

Report of Sunday School. 1st. Cong. Church Bolford.

The school held but thirty two sessions for year 1920. Closed for ten weeks begining Jan. 11 to March 28 on account of storms, cold and impassable roads.

Held combined Childrens Day Exercises in Bolford in morning and in Linebrook in afternoon.

Sunday School Picnic held July 7. Autos took crowd about fifty to Ipswich landing, then by launch to Ipswich Bluff, where bathing, clam digging, baseball and sundry sports were indulged in, including lunch and a shower bath ride on the launch down towards Gloucester before the trip back to

1921. Ipswich Landing. Christmas Exercises held in Chapel on Dec. 23. The Grange, Day School and Sunday School combining. The children giving Entertainment, followed by a story by Mrs. Manney, then giving out of presents furnished by Grange. Cand and oranges and supper for all the children and then home before it got too late.

The School contributed $37.50 for Missionary work. Leo Richardson had perfect attendance for year, three others Esther Perley, Stephen Bixby and Rebecca Parkhurst missing but two sessions.

Feb. 1, 1921. R. B. Parkhurst,
Boxford, Mass. Supt.

Voted that the Church support the Sunday School, the same as last year.

At this time Robert B. Parkhurst, Supt. of the Sunday School, presented Miss Florence M. Averill, with a Bar Pin, as an appreciation of her long and faithful service, as Secretary and Treasurer, of the Sunday School.

Voted that the Chairman appoint a Committee to draw up resolutions on the service of John W. Parkhurst, as Church Clerk.

Voted that the Chairman be a member of the above committee.

Voted that the same persons be asked to serve on the Flower Committee an other year.

Voted that we as a Church send greetings to Mr. Daniel W. Conant, who is our oldest member.

1921. Pastor closed the meeting with prayer.

A true record

Attest: John W. Parkhurst

Church Clerk.

Borford Feb, 21

Report of [illegible] Endowment Fund

Received from Treasury Bond 30.00

Paid for expenses 30.7

Due Treasurer 7

30.7 30.7

Report of [illegible] Fund

Received from Treasury Bond 57.49

Paid for Books 57.27

Balance Feb 22 .22

57.49 57.49

Ladies Benevolent Society

Sept 24-1919 - Sept 15, 1920

Balances Savings Bank 133.71

Cash 25.15

Receipts Suppers	62.81		
Fancy Party	135.59		
Aprons	3.50		
Postal cards	15.50		
Membership dues	11.50		
	35.00		262.90
Expenditures			
Suppers & Ice Cream	28.45		
Apron material	53.56		
Sewing machine and transp.	8.00	90.01	
Treasurer Parish	150.00		
Ward Academy	30.00		
Women's Missionary Society	10.00	190.00	
		280.01	421.76
Sept 15, 1920 Balance Savings Bank	108.34	141.75	
Cash	33.41	421.76	421.76

1921
Sunday
February
6th

Voted to grant a letter of dismissal to Miss Mary E. Todd to the Free Christian Church Andover

Voted at the request of the pastor and the Church treasurer that all bills for the Church be approved before payment by the deacons.

Report of Committee

The members of the First Congregational Church desire to express and to put on record their appreciation of the long, faithful and efficient services of Deacon John H. Parkhurst as clerk of the church. His duties have been performed with dignity and courtesy, with punctuality and faithfulness, and all his records have been complete and accurate, and always presented in neat and ample form.

We also desire to express our great regret at his resignation from this important office and as such and all extend to him our hearty greetings, and every wish and prayer for his blessing and prosperity

Emery N. Bedford
H. F. Ford
Hester Nilsen

Boxford, Mass.
Feb. 1, 1921

March 27, 1921

The following named persons were baptized and received into membership in this Church having been passed upon by the Standing Committee

William Lloyd Hosmer
Mrs. Ella Augusta Hosmer
Miss Alice Emma Briggs
Mrs. Grace Estella Brown
(Miss) Blanche Hazel Brown

March 27, 1921

Robert Parkhurst was appointed delegate to attend Ecclesiastical Council at Maple St. Congregational Church Danvers Monday Mar 28, 1921 8 P.M. - Augusta Brown

May 5, 1921

Messrs and Mrs J. Perley Millett were appointed delegates to Essex South Conference at Middleton Wednesday May 11th

May 14, 1921

Robert Parkhurst was appointed delegate to attend the Massachusetts Congregational Conference at its Annual Meeting, Lawrence May 16, 17, 18 1921

June 12, 1921

Letters of dismissal were granted to Ernest Wyman Mortimer and Mrs Clara Walker Mortimer Congregational Church Cemetery, Mass.

July 3, 1921

Mrs Bertha Crosby was baptized and with her husband James Crosby became into membership in the Church

Services 1920-1

1921
May 8 Exchanged with Rev. C.E. Reeves, Tolsfield
June 12 Children's Day Service
19 Exchanged with Rev. E.D. Drohrow of West Boxford
26 Rev E.P. Halton
July 17 " " " "
24 " " " "
31 Closed
Aug 7 Rev. E.P. Halton
14 " " " "
21 Rev Vaughn
Sept 25 Exchanged with Rev E.D. Drohrow of West Boxford
Nov 20 Union Thanksgiving Service - Sermon by Rev E.D. Drohrow

1921
December
18th

A letter of dismission and recommendation was granted to Eben H. Fahy, Main Street Methodist Episcopal Church North Andover.

1922 Annual Business Meeting of First Congregational Church, Bedford, Mass. Tuesday evening January 24th, 1922. Called to order by the Pastor at 8.05 p.m. in the Vestry. Present 23 members (11 men, 12 women). The Pastor opened the meeting with prayer. Minutes of last annual meeting and of intervening sessions read and approved.

Chas. Frank A. Manny Church Clerk

" Dwight C. Wilson Church Treasurer

Approved Robert B. Parkhurst Federated Church Clerk

Accepted The report of the Church Treasurer

Balance in Treasury Jan. 1, 21.		7.72
Amounts pledged and received for Missions	435.30	
Missionary Contribution from Study Class	50.00	
Monthly Collections	56.57	
Special Collection Easter flowers	8.00	
Conference tax	9.03	
N.E. Home for Little Wanderers	13.25	
Am. Bd. For Missions 120.23 WB M 45.25 C.H.M. 58.24.		
A.M.A. 44.21 W.H.M.A. 38.50 C.C.B.S. 24.00		
C.E.S. 23.50 C.S.S.E.S. 5.50 M.R. 7.21		372.00
N.E. Home Little Wanderers		13.25
Easter flowers		16.50
Coin envelopes		3.75
Conference tax		26.12
Communion expenses		2.17
Sunday School supplies		16.49
Cash balance Jan. 1, 1922		91.41
	*535.69	*535.69

Balance paid to next year *9.41

Accepted Report J. P. Killam Trustee Caroline E Peabody Fund

Received from Savings Bank	27.00	
Paid Treasurer		.71
Church Paper		7.70
Mass Bible Society		3.90
A.S. Barker		14.26
Balance		.43
	$27.00	$27.00

Forward .43

Interest now in Savings Bank $39.92

Accepted Report J. P. Killam Trustee Mary Ann Peabody Fund Estate

Balance on Hand	.22	
Received from Savings Bank	35.00	
Paid Old Corner Book Store		34.28
Balance		.94
	$35.22	$35.22

Forward .74

Interest now in Savings Bank $28.78

Accepted Report Mrs C. M. Bixby Women's Missionary Society

Received Oct 1920 – Oct 1921	127.00	
Disbursements Foreign		64.50
Home		64.50
	129.00	129.00

Accepted

Report of P. B. Parkhurst Superintendent of Sunday School

The Sunday School held forty nine sessions and the enrollment advanced from 287 to 335 with an average attendance of 202 for the year.

School was closed on account of Sunday beginning July 7th during the Summer vacation and the time of repairs work in the Chapel.

Special services were held on Easter and Children's Day May Easter Party and on Children's Sunday by those of Mrs. F. Nelson and the Misses Lucia and Elizabeth Freeman. Treats were distributed on the latter day.

For Christmas the plan of the year before was again followed - the Community Tree and Sunday School celebrating. The plan with the combined efforts of the day school teachers seems to work out but needs more care and tact in working out minor details.

Many thanks are due to those who so kindly made records the carrying out of the Christmas program.

Interest in the Missionary work and Sunday Reading is really stimulated and advanced by the methods taking charge and by the systematic use of charts and literature.

Rec'd	9.07	
Offering for the year	67.90	
[illegible]		7.53
[illegible]		1.50
[illegible]		14.00
[illegible]		9.00
[illegible]		6.00
[illegible]		3.37
[illegible]		1.50
[illegible]		15.00
[illegible]		.36
Postage on [illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]	76.97	[illegible]

Motion to have placed on record when received

Mrs C. W. Paul / Bryford Ladies Benevolent Society

Sept. 5, 1920 – Sept. 5, 1921

Receipts

Suppers	115.95
Lawn party	109.85
Mrs Wood House	20.00
Membership	9.00
Drama	17.21
Old carpet	1.00
On hand	33.41
In Bank	108.34
	$407.76
Forward	$15.21

Expenditures

Suppers	21.21
Epsom material	28.67
Treasurer parish	50.00
Redecorating Chapel	208.00
Vanilla & express	25.90
Vestibule Carpet	24.50
Illumination	19.00
Labor	5.50
Lawn party	6.00
Lantern slides	2.17
Paint	2.60
Incidentals	1.00
	$394.55
Balance	15.21
	$407.76

Church Membership

		Male	Female	Total
Jan 1, 1921		41	73	114
Received 1921	Letter	1	1	2
	Confession Faith	3	5	7
		6		9
Total 1921		44	79	123
Out 1921	Death	2	2	4
	Letter	2	2	2
		4		6
Jan 1, 1922		42	75	117

Note amount raised in the Parish during the year including Church societies, Grange, Red Cross, Christmas seals, District Nurse, North Shore Babies Hospital and other benevolent purposes was more than $1000.00

May 28, 1922

Meeting held at the close of the Church service at which the Clerk read the following letter from the Pastor, Rev E. L. Bedford

Bedford, Massachusetts
May 27, 1922

To the First Congregational Church and Parish
Bedford, Massachusetts

My dear Friends:

I have just now spoken to you in intimate and informal fashion of the reasons and motives that have led me to the step I am about to take. It is not necessary to rehearse them in this formal letter. I trust you will accept the sincerity of my purpose and believe that it is no hasty, ill-considered judgment that has led me to the conviction that it is best for me to return to you the trust committed to my hands and which I have carried as best I could for something over nine years. Every sensible minister knows that when the golden fingers upon the chronometer of the years point unwaveringly to waning age, it is high time to turn gratefully and lovingly to commit his parochial tasks to more vigorous hands. That time has come with me.

I hereby offer to you my resignation as Pastor of this Church and Parish, and ask you to call such meeting as may be necessary for the formal acceptance of the same and the appointment of committees to make arrangements for calling a Council, according to the usages of our denomination, for the purpose of dissolving the ecclesiastical relationship in regular form. I wish for the good of all concerned that this might be done speedily, as I desire my pastorate to end on the first Sunday in July which will be the fortieth anniversary of my first service with you as your ordained and settled Pastor.

If my words are few it is not from lack of feeling, but because I am not able to express myself with entire composure. I have tried to hide in silence, alone in my study the hours of reflection and the deep emotion that have come with this decision. You will understand, I am sure, that for me, it is a day of serious import when I close the record of my life work here and see the balance carried over to the profit and loss account of the eternal ledger to await the final audit of the Recording Angel. I work, but that is useless - the record has been made, - nothing on heaven or earth can change it, - it must stand, - its mistake covered by the forgetting Charity of my fellowmen, and the forgiving love of my Heavenly Father.

As long as I live this Church and this Community will hold the most loyal place in my affection and interest. Here the best of my life has been spent, here the best of my work has been given. I am deeply grateful for all its privileges, and for so much of affection and friendship as surround me here. Her confidence has made the burden bearing strength and inspiration of all I have tried to do.

Let me express my thanks for the Trust reposed in me, my unaltered joy in your service, my gratitude for all that the years have brought me. "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you" and also "I thank Jesus Christ our Lord who hath enabled me for that he counted me worthy putting me into the ministry." Commending you to the grace of God I am, faithfully, your minister

Emery L. Bradford

June 4th 1924

At a meeting of the Church and Parish presided over by Deacon J.W. Packard held at the close of the preaching service a letter was read from Mr. and Mrs. Bradford saying that all that is possible to do to make it possible for Mr. Bradford to continue in the Pastorate of this Church. In the years

discussion that followed it was evident that the members of the Church hoped that an extended vacation would enable Mr Bradford to regain his health sufficiently to return to the service.

A committee consisting of Deacon Parkhurst, Chester Kilham and H.K. Young was appointed to confer with Mr Bradford. At the request of Mr Young Mr H.H. Sawyer accompanied the committee when it called at the parsonage on the afternoon of the 4th.

June 11th 1922

An informal meeting was held at the close of the preaching service at which were present certain of the male members of the Church and parish. A vote was taken by the elect that it was the sense of the meeting that a vacation of one month should be given to Mr Bradford as we would enable him to resume the service of the Church.

Wednesday June 21st 1922

At a meeting of the Church a report was received from the committee appointed on the fourth of June recommending that Mr Bradford be given a vacation of three or four months with pay and that his resignation be laid upon the table.

June 11th 1922
Children Day Exercises, at which the
following children were baptized
Mary Frances Sawyer
John Richard Sawyer
Alice Conant Gould
Martha Elizabeth Martinez

Preachers Summer 1922

July 9th 1922
Sermon by Rev. Frederic Palmer

July 16th 1922
Sermon by Rev. J. C. Simpson of Glenwood

July 23 - Rev. Ackerman
30 - " "
Aug. 6 - No service
13 - " "
20 - Rev. E. D. Dishrow
27 - Professor Hertel
Sept 3 - Rev. J. G Taylor
10 - Rev. F. H. Casson
17 - Rev. A. J. Covell
24 - Rev F. H. Casson

Nov. 19 Rev Reeves of Dalfield preached

26 Union Thanksgiving Service at 2d Church

1922
Dec 7th

Ordination of Nath H. Scott Pastor West Church West Peabody 3 30 P.M.

Tuesday February 6, 1923

Annual Meeting First Congregational Church was held in the Chapel at 8 P.M. following a supper in the Basement. There were twelve men, twelve women and three children present.

Elections

Frank A. Manny was reelected Clerk; Dwight L. Killam, treasurer and J.W. Parkhurst deacon for a term of five years. R B Parkhurst was confirmed as S.S. Superintendent

Support of Sunday School

The church formally assumed the financial support of the Sunday School for the current year.

Flower Committee

The appointment of the members of a Flower Committee was left to the pastor.

Records in vault

The clerk announced that he had placed all the church records except the current book in a locked box in the vault of the Town Hall.

Pledge cards

The system of using envelopes and pledge cards was adapted for the year.

Date of Annual meeting

An informal vote showed no one opposed to changing the date of the annual meeting to a season of more favorable weather but no formal action was taken on the subject

The pastor reported a total membership in the church January 1st, 1923 of 114 – a loss of three in the year due to the death of Miss Mary Sawyer D W Conant and Mrs Nellie Hale Howe.

11 QUINCY STREET
CAMBRIDGE

Dear Mr. Parkhurst:

Let me through you convey to the Church my thanks for a singularly kind vote.

Whatever I can do to make Boxford a good place to live in will always give me pleasure & will seem to unite me more closely to the six generations of ancestors who have preceded me there.

With warm regards to yourself, believe me

Faithfully yours,

G. H. Palmer

January 20 -
1927

Of these 114 members (41 men and 73 women), 62 are "absent."

Treasurer's Report

Balance Jan. 1, 1922		91.41		Church	S.S.	
Receipts for missions (40 per cent)		91.70	2d ABCFM	105.93	20.00	125.93
" " " from Sunday School		97.91	WBFM	48.15	10.00	58.15
" from monthly collection		48.54	CHMS	44.94	26.17	71.11
" for Russian relief		17.00	WHMA	39.52		38.52
" " Near East "		18.36	AMA	35.31	9.50	44.81
			CCBS	18.46	6.00	24.46
			C.E.S.	20.86	4.00	24.86
			CSSEx S	4.02	17.24	21.26
			Min Relief	4.81	2.00	6.81
			Annuity Fund		3.00	3.00
				$321.00	$97.91	$418.91
			Russian relief			17.00
			Near East relief			18.36
			Conference tax			27.37
			Sunday School supplies			32.71
			Cash balance Jan. 1, 1923			50.57
		$564.92				$564.92
Balance forward		50.57				

Dwight L. Killam, Treasurer

Ladies Benevolent Society

Sept 15, 1921 & Sept 27, 1922

Balance Sept. 15, 1921	15.21	Paid Treasurer Parish	100.00
Suppers and socials	70.05	Expense of supper	18.24
Lawn party	148.00	Apron material	25.47
E. M. Parkhurst	19.16	Table paper	7.70
Sale Vanilla Stain Remover	14.90	W H M S	10.00
Memberships	6.50	Picture card	35
Sale of aprons	3.00		
Mr Bradford	1.00	Balance Sept. 27, 1922	128.48
Bank	12.42		
	290.24		290.24
Balance forward	128.48		

Mrs. C. W. Paul

Women's Missionary Society

Dues	11.50	Book "Building with India"	.50
Mite boxes	2.15	Current expense	1.00
Gifts	20.00	Essex South Alliance	67.50
Supper	51.60	Essex South Bd Mission	66.50
Sunshine tea	40.25		
L B Society	10.00		
	$135.50		$135.50

Direct Contribution	134.00
13% Church Collection	86.67
Total	220.67
Apportionment	179.76
Over the top	$40.91

Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund

Balance Jan 23, 1922		.94
Received interest from Savings Bank		30.00
Paid Pilgrim Press	1.17	
Old Corner Bookstore	21.97	
Book and express	3.64	
Balance forward	4.16	
	$30.94	$30.94

B

J. Perley Killam

Caroline E. Peabody Fund

Balance Jan 23, 1922		.43
Interest from Savings Bank		29.00
Paid for flowers	4.00	
" " Bibles	11.50	
" " S. S. papers	13.54	
Balance	34	
	$29.43	$29.43

J. Perley Killam

Report of Sunday School
Jan 1, 1922 & Dec. 31, 1922

Enrollment Jan 1, 1922 35 Jan 1, 1923 42
46 sessions held. On Easter April 16th a special program of children's recitations. On Children's Day a program in charge of Mrs Margaret Harris Christmas exercises in charge of public school teachers – a program of recitations, songs and two chart plays. Presents were furnished by members of the Range and refreshments served to the Children after which each child was given candy and an orange.

Melvin and Ralph Gould present every Sunday on which School was held. Paul L Killam, Mrs Frank Gould, Lee Richardson and R B. Parkhurst were present every Sunday but one.

A very interesting feature this year has been the exercises arranged by Mrs Bradford, in connection with the missionary chart plan explaining the work of the various societies to which our contributions are given.

During the year a box of games, toys, books, &c was sent to Miss Alice Adams in Japan. A box of books was also sent from our Library to the Sunday Schools in Charge of Mr Priest at Doby Springs Oklahoma

R.B. Parkhurst Superintendent

Balance Jan 1, 1922 15.78
Receipts 97.24
Missionary contribution 97.91
Balance 15 11
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Frank A. Manny Clerk

March 18, 1923
Letter granted to Mrs Chas L Tuttle to
First Baptist Church of Salem

April 1, 1923
Nathaniel Putnam Harris, Margaret Russell Harris, Elizabeth Anderson Harris, Clara Elizabeth Killam received into Church by baptism and confession of faith. Theodora Ella Bowie and Mrs Marguerite Harriman Bond by confession of faith. These persons were recommended by the Pastor and Deacons on March 18th and voted on by the members of the Church on March 25th.

May 13th 1923
A request made by the Pastor that his vacation be extended to include the months of July and August was granted with full pay.

June 10th 1923 Christened
Donald Stuart McPherson
Paul Averill Merrill

October 21st 1923
Letter granted to Mrs Leslie E Belcher to
Church at Lexington.

Wednesday
February 6th
1924

The Annual Meeting First Congregational Church Bedford was held in the Chapel at 8.30 P.M. following a supper in the vestry. There were present twenty six adults and one minor Frank R. Manny was re-elected Clerk and Dwight L. Kellam Treasurer. Robert B. Parkhurst was confirmed as Superintendent of the Sunday School The Church formally assumed the support of the Sunday School for the current year.

Mrs. J.B. Matthews and Mrs Fred H Bird Jr were elected members of the Flower Committee

The system of using envelopes and pledge cards for the Church benevolences was again adopted.

A committee was elected to follow up the pledge cards for missionary subscriptions consisting of Mrs W.A. Swann, Mrs E.L. Bradford and the Treasurer.

The pastor reported on the membership showing that there were 114 on the roll at the beginning of the year. There have been six additions to membership — two have died and two have taken letters to other churches leaving the present membership at 116. Of these 63 are absent members. The average attendance at preaching services when the pastor was present has been 48.

The Treasurer called attention to a reduction in the Church contributions to missions over last year of $63.26. The Sunday School, however, has made an increase of $10.88 making the net reduction $52.38.

Treasurer's Report

Receipts

Jan 1, 1923	Balance forward	#50.57
	Pledges for missions	
	29 in number #228.40	
	Actual receipts	229.15
	Sunday School	108.79
	Regular collection	48.50
	Flower mission	3.50
	Red Cross	14.00
	N.E. Home for Little Wanderers	21.42
		#475.93
Jan 1, 1924	Balance	#54.83

Expenditures

Missions	%	Church	S.S.
Am Board	25.5	58.14	26.48
Woman's Board	14.5	31.98	13.24
Cong Ed Soc	4	9.14	4.25
Cong Ch Bldg	6	13.74	5.69
CHMS	14.5	33.12	16.55
A.M.A.	9.5	21.70	9.94
Cong SS Ext Soc	4	4.57	15.68
Cong Bd Min Relief	15	3.42	2.60
Annuity Fund	1.0	2.28	.70
Ed Dist	7.	15.99	
Misc	1.0	2.28	
WHMU	14.	31.98	13.24
Boston Seamens Ch.			42
			#108.79
		#228.44	

Total for Missions	#337.23
Flower Mission	3.50
Red Cross	14.00
N.E. Home & W	21.42
Church Expense	
Conference Fax	15.96
Communion Exp (2 yrs)	3.58
Flowers for Mrs Perley	3.00
Sunday School Supplies	22.44
	#421.10
Balance forward	54.83
	#475 93

Report of Sunday School

Enrollment Jan 1, 1923 - 42 Dec 31st 33
Special roll of interested members unable to attend 5 Cradle roll 11.
Mrs Bradford's Class made the largest collection $25.02
This Class also had the largest total attendance
There were all together 44 sessions during the year.
The Children's Day exercises were very successfully conducted by Miss Esther Perley.
The annual picnic was held at Ipswich Beach in August. Christmas exercises were again carried out in association with the Grange and the Day School.

Financial Statement

On hand Jan 1, 1923	$10.11
Class collections	82.33
Children's Day collection	13.79
Contribution by "A Friend"	10.00

Missionary Contribution	25.00
H.S. Extension Society	13.79
Contribution to Mr Holton's work in India	5.00
Balance forward	7.44
	$121.23 $121.23

Robert B. Caldwell Superintendent
Alice Reggs Treasurer

Women's Missionary Society

Dues	12.50	
Entertainment and supper	15.00	
Envelopes	10.76	
Food sale	25.00	
Gifts	24.50	
Ladies Benevolent Society	20.00	
Mite Collections	3.95	
Paid out for books and postage & India		2.30
Dues & Women's Board		2.00
Foreign Missions		71.48
Alliance		32.96
Balance on hand		2.97
	#111.71	#111.71

Clara M Burke Treasurer

Ladies Benevolent Society

Sept 25, 1923	Balance on hand	#128.48	
	Cash	12.20	
Oct. 12	Harvest Supper	40.32	
Nov. 23	Church Supper	26.70	
Jan 8, 1924	Mrs G B Parkhurst dues collected	3.75	
"	Mrs Riggs dues collected	3.75	
	Missionary Contribution		20.00
	Wayside Circuit		9.50
	Mill Bond - material		25.00
	Expense Harvest Supper		.53
	Children's Hallow Tea Party		1.25
Nov 23	Methuen Church Supper		10.00
Dec 8	Flowers for Mrs P.W. Parkhurst Burnside		1.75
		#209.40	#209.40

Mrs Ward Brown Treasurer

Caroline E. Peabody Fund

Feb 6, 1923	Balance on hand	.34	
	Interest drawn	13.20	
	Interest now in bank about	42.00	
	Paid for A.S. Pakes		13.54
	Balance forward about		42.00
		$55.54	$55.54

J. Perley Killam Treasurer

Mary Ann Peabody Fund

Interest drawn	47.91	
Interest now in bank	25.32	
Paid for C.S. books		47.91
Balance forward		25.32
	$73.23	$73.23

Mr Bradford called attention to the following sums collected for various funbases under other than church auspices:

Red Cross	92.00
Babies Hospital	35.00
F.B. Seals	10.00
Mr Holton India	15.00
Natnl Rural	130.00
Flower Mission	3.50
Japanese Relief	102.10
	$398 60

Announcement was made of the availability of the Sarah P. Pooley Fund designated in 1894 as follows:

"I give and bequeath to the First Religious Society in said Bedford and located in said East Parish, the sum of One Thousand Dollars for a permanent fund to be securely invested as a distinct and separate fund from all other funds held by said Society and the income from said fund may be annually expended by the trustees of said Society for such uses and purposes as said trustees may deem for the best interests of said Society."

Music at First Church
Solo by Mrs Esther Demery Hills
April 13, 19xx Jerusalem by Parker
April 20, 19xx Hail Glorious Morn by Fickel

Ordination Mr. [illegible] H[illegible] ... Pooley Fund
... Parker ... 3. ... 2 ... Mrs. ... Pooley ...
... Ordination Rev. Enfield Hanger ... Pooley Fund ...
... Hymn 32 (Pres. Book 31) ... Rev. Mr. Parker of Reformed ...
... Nov 2, 1924 Rev. Mr. Parker Reformed ... Hymn Hymn ... Congregational Church.

Annual meeting of the East Congregational Church Hartford, was held in the Church Wednesday Jan. 21, 1920.

The business meeting was opened with prayer by the Pastor.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by Deacon Killam.

The Treasurer's report for the year.

Deacon E. Killam ... Auditor ...

Deacon E. Killam ... Sunday School ...

Mrs. J. D. Mathews and Mrs. F. N. Bond jr. ... Flower Committee.

... Mary Lim Peabody Fund

... Caroline C. Healy ...

... Ladies Benevolent Society

... Ladies Miss. Society

... Supt. of S. School

... resume the support of the S. School for the year.

Mrs. N. L. Mann and Mrs. F. N. Bond jr. were elected Committee to draw up resolutions to be placed on record, and a copy sent to Mr. Robert Washburn for faithful services as Supt. of S. School in years past.

Voted that a committee of five persons be appointed by the Pastor for the purpose of getting a larger attendance on Sunday morning, from the Summer residents.

Voted to dismiss meeting 9-30 P.M.

Treasurer's Report

I take pleasure in submitting to you my fourth annual report as your Church Treasurer for the year Jan. 1st 1924 to Jan. 1st. 1925.

Receipts

Cash balance Jan. 1. 1924.		$54.83
Received for Missionary work		
From Sunday School	$ 2.00	
" Ladies Benv. Society	10.00	
" 36 Widows and Offs	236.15	324.15
Special collections		
Near East Relief		
Sunday School	3.60	
Church	7.00	10.60
New England Home for Little Wanderers		12.00
Regular collections		50.68
Total receipts.		$432.26

Expenses

	Church	Sunday School	Total
Missionary Work			
Am. Bd. Commissioners for Foreign Missions	$66.18		$66.18
Woman's B. "	34.05 - 10.		44.05
Congl. Sun. Schools Soc.	32.83 - 10.		42.83
[illegible]	7.63 - 0.		22.63
[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]

Missionary Work (Continued)

Total — $246.15

Sunday School Rec. 21.32
Expenses Tax 2.52
Women 2.50

Yearly expenses

Balance Jan 1st. 1925 —

Respectfully

Treasurer

Report of the First Congregational Sunday School for the year ending December 31st. 1925.

During the year forty-five members have been added.

Enrollment Jan 1st 1925	93
New members	8
	41
Members left	9
Present enrollment	32

For months [illegible] had perfect attendance and the honor roll included Bessie Trench Martin and Ralph Lovell, Ruth Bowie, Ethel Hallam W. Lee and Ruth Packelmat.

[illegible] very interesting program [illegible] Miss Lucinda Packelmat.

[illegible] were taken to Spanish Bluffs where several hours were enjoyed in games, [illegible] and then to Fern a treat which [illegible] with the addition of [illegible] sun burns.

[illegible] entertainment in charge of Miss [illegible] and Miss Nagle was very well rendered. [illegible] in charge of Bessie Trench and Ruth Bowie was well [illegible] the committee [illegible] refreshments [illegible] oranges and home.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1924.	$7.44
Dues collections	65.33
Golden Rule H.S. Rally	8.61
Miscellaneous [illegible] etc	5.75
Dirt for rug.	10.05
	$97.18
Paid D. Le. Hillman	$1.60
Cash on hand Jan. 1. 1925.	10.12

Robert B. Packelmat
Supt

Jan. 21. 1925—

Report of Caroline E. Peabody Fund.

Received from Savings Bank 16.93

[illegible] Missions 3.40

[illegible] 3.53

[illegible]

Cash in Bank about $53.70

[illegible]

[illegible] Peabody Fund.

Rec'd from Savings Bank $18.00

[illegible] 17.89

[illegible]

Cash in Bank [illegible]

[illegible]

Ladies Missionary Society

October 1923

Balance on hand	$2.77
Rec'd for dues	6.35
Gift	5.00
C. W. Society	10.00
Society to settle	88.80
	113.12

Paid

Miss Perkins	100.
50.70 Foreign	
28.18 credit additional	
additional Home Allowance	3.11
53.06	
36.82 additional	
	103.76
Bal on hand Oct 1924	9.36

The Society sent at Christmas time a box of useful articles and gift to the Pine Mountain Settlement School $10.00 to Pine Mountain Settlement August 1st 1924

Sundries Removal Society 1867-8

Oct 4	Amount Funeral exps	$24.13
Oct 6	Mrs. Hayward 2 offer	23.10
" 10	" Ford Sale	.25
Nov. 11	" Farm Church Supper	10.00
27	" Bill for Jordan Marsh bill	1.47
	" Amount Peabody Institute Library	.20
	" Mrs. Riggs' Membership fees	1.00
Dec. 7	" " Botford Range 1/2 ton in coffee tank	4.50
		$13.15

Oct 6	Paid Mr. Draper for Masonic Exps.	20.00
15	" Mrs. Ford for 1/2 ton in coffee tank	3.20
Nov. 6	" Mrs. Ford for 1/2 ton Material	10.00
	" for Sundry cotton for Sprouts	.40
1.	" Expenses of Welcome Party	2.00
3.	" Mrs. Ford for 1/2 ton Material	3.00
4.	" Expenses of Funeral Supper	1.50
Dec. 3	" Range Repairs	2.00
6	" Mrs. Ford for Material	5.24
Nov. 25 - Jan. 3.	" Postage on Packages & Envelopes &c	.50
1	" Chester Allan for Carpet Sales	2.00
	Total Expenses	54.24

201.39
Interest 6.00
$219.39

Office of Treasurer Boston

Letter of Appreciation to Dept of S.S.

Sunday March 8, 1925.

Rev. E. L. Bradford read his resignation as pastor of this church to take effect at once.

At a business meeting of the church on Sunday A.M. March 15. 1925 it was voted to accept the resignation of Rev. E. L. Bradford as pastor of the church to take effect the last Sunday in June.
Committee invited to take charge of the formalities were as follows.
Chas. F. Ideam
J. M. Parkhurst } Com.
F. M. Towne

The title of Pastor Emeritus was conferred on Rev. E. L. Bradford at this time.
(See Church action, pg. 237, book 7)

Bedford, Massachusetts,
March 7, 1925.

To the First Congregational Church and Parish
Bedford, Massachusetts.

My dear Friends:

Three years ago I thought it wise and right for me to resign my pastorate of this Church.

There is no need to recall at length what happened, or to rehearse the motives and persuasions that induced me, at your behest, to continue my work as best I could.

The experiences of the last year have renewed and deepened in my mind the conviction that to preserve the best interests of this Church and effectively to carry forward its work I ought to tender my resignation to you. To lay aside the privileges and responsibilities of my pastorate.

I ask you, therefore, to take that former letter of resignation from its resting place "on the table" and give it such action as may commend itself to your judgment. I am convinced beyond argument or recall that the time has come to put its provisions into effect.

I am asking, therefore, that my service as your pastor may terminate on the last Sunday in June of this year, - and that the Church and Parish take such action and appoint such committees as may be necessary to bring our relation as Pastor and people to an end according to the usages of our denomination.

I bring this request to you at this time in

view of the fact that your annual meetings are close at hand and I would save you all possible trouble in calling extra sessions.
In taking this step I am keenly mindful of our long and happy relationship and fellowship in christian work.
You will understand, I am sure, that it means much to me to thus come to the time when the books are closed.
Together with Mrs. Bradford we appreciate your unfailing kindness and patience and good will.
It is a great satisfaction to us that we are to live on here as fellow-citizens and fellow-workers with you until the end shall come.
For this our personal friendships here are deep and strong.
The interests and prosperity of this church and community will always be dear to us.
Wishing you grace, mercy and peace, the guiding of the spirit of wisdom in your councils,
and the giving of the spirit of strength for all your future work,
I am sincerely your
Pastor and friend
Emory W. Bradford.

March 22. 1925.
Robert Perley Parkhurst, son of Robert B. Parkhurst and Lucy Killam Parkhurst was baptized by the Pastor Rev. E. L. Bradford.

April 12. 1925.
The following ones united with the church.
George Bonnie
Ruth Bonnie
Stephen Bixby.
Hazel Killam.
Estha Hardiman
Geraldine Moore
Rebecca Parkhurst
Ruth Parkhurst
Leo Richardson
Elizabeth Sheldon

April 26. 1925.
Voted to give a letter of dismission to Mrs. Florence A. Barker and recomendation to the First Cong. Church of Swampscott. Mass.

June 7, 1925.
Voted to receive Mrs. Maud J. Killam into the fellowship and care of the Church. and notice sent to Clerk of the Second Congl. Church of W. Bolford.

June 14. 1925-
Christened: the son of George A. and Hettie
Gould:-
George Arthur Gould, Jr.

June 29. 1925.
The Pastor preached his farewell sermon

July 5. 1925-
Pulpit supplied by

July 12. 1925-

Chinese and Korean were almost the only languages he spoke himself as
close to work. His instructors was fairly in every home, and even all love came hard to
that life. His mother at twenty-eight, was married three times. She
was a beautiful woman, but a bad a bowler. Her father, Mark Jeffers, was one
of eleven, lived by himself in this a dilapidated by an independent
mind personality. Every his parents, Mark was a closed book to them
as a child.

Joyce moved in winter and at night.

Of course it was because with a deep interest that the Jewish Agency
home motives of Alfred and Sarah Goldstein were to keep it open
in time we had many Jewish refugees who didn't speak English or
Palestinian and it seemed important. He knew Alfred Goldstein before the First World War
of Jewish descent to Germany where Alfred Goldstein had made his
fight during the Nazi era. Sarah Goldstein, in fact, sacrificed as the
Jewish Agency's work and then I met Alfred Goldstein when he was very ill in the
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHURCH RECORDS

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Mr. Bradford was born January 16, 1859, in Brooklin, Maine. He graduated from Andover Theological Seminary in 1892. In July of that year he was ordained in Boxford, and on September 6, 1892 he married Carrie M. Locke. The following year his only child, Ruth, was born. It was in 1902 that he went to East Weymouth, in 1913 that he returned.

To avoid misconception one thing more needs to be said. Wherever in this sketch I have spoken of Mr. Bradford the name should be understood as having a double meaning. Like Mr. and Mrs. Coggin, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford have been so united that it is impossible to think of one apart from the other. It is a joint service to the town which they have liberally rendered, and our gratitude goes forth to the pair as to a single benefactor.

G. H. Palmer

Boxford

August 25, 1925.

Annual meeting of Ch. & C.

Held in the Chapel Jan. 15, 1926.

Supper was served in the Supper room and was enjoyed by about 35 persons.

The business was opened with prayer by Pastor Emeritus E. E. Bradford. Reverend Allen C. Leonard offering opening remarks on "What the year shall mean to us"

Report of Church Treasurer read and accepted.

" " S.S. Supt. " " "

" " " " Secy. " " "

" " Ladies Benv. Society Mrs. Brown read and accepted.

Discussion on the election of Deacon.

Unanimous vote and election of J.P. Killam as Deacon for next 5 years.

Geo. B. Parkhurst elected Church Clerk.

Report of Ladies Missionary Society called for and Mrs. Bradford gave an oral account of work performed during the year.

Report of Mary Ann Peabody Lib. Fund read & accepted.

" " Caroline E. Peabody " " "

" " Church Clock repair Fund " "

" " Parsonage " " " "

Dwight L. Killam elected Church Treasurer.

The election of Paul L. Killam as S.S. Supt was ratified by the Church.

Mrs. Esther Wills.
Mrs. Edith Kirkland
Miss. Lavinia Parkhurst } Decorating Committee.

Report of Clerk read and accepted.

Roll call of members read by Clerk.

Voted to have a revision of list.

Letter from Prof. Geo. H. Palmer read by Deacon J. W. Parkhurst. calling to mind the pastoral life of Rev. E. E. Bradford.

Voted this letter be placed on file in the church.

Voted that the Church assume the expenses of the S. School for the year.

Mr. Bradford made a few remarks relative to Prof. Palmer's letter, and in regard to the long and efficient service of Deacon J. P. Killam

Voted that a note of appreciation be prepared and sent to Prof. Palmer.

Wm. Wm. A. Swann } Committee on note of
Mrs. J. S. Matthews } appreciation to Dea. Killam

Wm. Chester Killam. } Committee on note of
Dea. J. W. Parkhurst. } appreciation to Prof. Geo. H. Palmer
Dea. J. P. Killam }

Meeting closed with music. Geo. W. Parkhurst
Clerk.

Local Church report sent to the State Registrar for the year ending December 31. 1925.
for the
Congregational Year Book.

P.O. Address Boxford, Mass.
Name of Church, First. Cong.
Clerk Geo. B. Parkhurst. Boxford.
Pastor Allen C. LeGrow " (Supply.)

Number of male members Jan. 1. 1926.	42.	
" " female " " " "	78.	
Total number members		120.
Number of absent members Jan. 1926.	40.	
Number admitted on confession dur. 1925.	10.	
" " by letter	1	
Total number admitted		11.
Number removed by death during 1925.	5.	
" dismissed " letter	1.	
Total number removals during 1925		6.
Number of Adults baptized 1925	1.	
" " Infants "	2.	
" " Families rec. in Parish	70.	

Total number of members. Jan 1. 1925.	115.	
" " " " Jan 1. 1926	120.	
net gain		5.
Total number admitted during 1925	11.	
" " removed " "	6.	

S. S. Supt. Ward L. Killam East Boxford
number of officers teachers and scholars 33.
Treasurer Dwight L. Killam E. Boxford.

Home Expenses during 1925 — $22.00.
Miscellaneous " " " — $44.
Value of Church property — $10000.
" " Parsonage " (Assessed value) $2300.
Amount of Invested Funds — $1542.79
Pastor of 1925 till June 28. 1925.
Rev. E. L. Bradford. Byfield Mass.

Report of the Treasurer of First Cong. Church
Jan. 1. 1925. To Jan. 1. 1926.

Receipts.

Cash balance Jan. 1. 1925.	$33.65	
Regular collections	51.30	84.95
Rec'd for Missionary Work		
32 Pledges and gifts	$192.25	
Ladies Benv. Society	10.	
Sunday School	91.96	
Total for missions		$294.21
Total receipts		$379.16

Report of Treasurer

Expenses

Paid to Missionary Societies

A.B.C.F.M.	Church 55.	SS. 25.		$80.
W.B.M.	" 28.	" 12.71		40.71
C.H.M.S.	" 29.	" 13.18		42.18
W.H.M.U.	" 28.	" 12.71		40.71
A.M.A.	" 20.	" 9.09		29.09
C.C.B.S	" 13.	" 5.92		18.92
C.S.S.&S.	" 3.50	" 1.58		5.08
Ministerial Aid	" 6.	" 2.72		8.72
Annuity Fund	" 1.50	" .69		2.19
Education Foundation	" 4.50	" 2.04		6.54
Miscellaneous	" 1.00	" .46		1.46
Boston Seamans Friend Society	" 2.40	" 1.09		3.49
C.E.S.	" 10.50	" 4.77		15.27
				294.36
Sunday School bills				29.92
Church expenses				
Conference tax		15.40		
Communion Expense		2.00		
Church Supper "		5.93		26.33
		Total Expense		350.61
Cash balance Jan. 1. 1926.				$28.53

Respectfully submitted

Dwight L. Fillum.

Treasurer.

Report of the Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund
Jan. 15. 1926.

Balance on Jan. 21. 1925	.11	
Recd from Savings Bank	29.69	
Total		$29.80
Paid for S. School supplies	29.69	
Balance Jan. 15. 1926.	11	29.80

There is interest in the Bank $122.79

Respectfully Submitted
T. Perley Fillam. Treas.

Report of Caroline E. Peabody Fund.

Recd from Savings Bank	$11.60
Paid for S. S. Papers	11.60
Interest in Bank	67.80

Respectfully Submitted
T. Perley Fillam Treas.

Report of the Church Clock Fund.
The $100. bond that cost 89.36 has been sold for 103.87 and the money placed on interest.
Principal $100, Int. 43.70
with another years int due in April.

Respectfully Submitted
T. P. Fillam. Treas.

Report of the Parsonage Repair Fund.
I have received $50. from the bank and paid the same to the Parish Treasurer
Interest in the Bank $23.80

5-$100. Bonds that cost $496.80
have been sold for 520.20
and placed in the Bank
on Int.

Respectfully submitted
T. V. Fillam Treas.

Report of the Ladies Benevolent Society -
Received $462.
Paid out 198.72
Jan. 1926 Balance on hand $263.28

Respectfully submitted
Ella L. Swann Treas.

Report of the Secy. and Treasurer of S. School

Enrollment Jan. 1. 1925-	32	
New members	6.	38
members left school		9
Present enrollment		29

Sessions	46.	
Average per Sunday	72%.	
Cash on hand Jan 1. 1925-	$10.12	
Class collections	81.84	91.96
Paid to D. L. Killam		91.96

Perfect Attendance

Paul Killam
Hazel Killam
Ruth Parkhurst

Honor Roll.

Rebecca Parkhurst
Melvin Gould
Ralph Gould
Bessie French
Ruth Bonnie
Leo Richardson
Charlotte French

Bessie French. Secy. & Treas.

Report of the Sunday School superintendant.
To the members of the First Church Bedford.
In making my first report as superintendent of the Sunday School, I wish to thank all the teachers officers and committees who have helped so generously in carrying on the work of the year.
A session of the School has been held on every Sunday with the exception of the month of August and Thanksgiving Sunday, on June 14th. Childrens Day Exercises were held in the Church in place of the morning service.
The program was well carried out, being in charge of Mrs. Dana Kirkland and Miss. Bessie French. Each child of the School received a plant, a gift from the Ladies Benv. Society.
In writing this report the idea occurs to me that when an affair goes off smoothly without a flaw or mistake, those in charge are justly thanked and congratulated, which is as it should be. On the other hand, however when unforeseen or unpreventable circumstances tend to make an occasion more or less of a failure in spite of the efforts of those in charge, then the committee is much more apt to receive condemnation rather than commendation.
I sincerely hope that because of the fact that our annual picnic was held in sort of relays and not the success that it should have been, was not due to a faulty committee;

one

On the afternoon of December twenty-fourth a Christmas celebration was held in the chapel the Day Schools and Grange cooperating with the Sunday School, Entertainment was furnished by the School children in charge of Miss. Shaw, and Miss. Rigg. Each child received a present. a gift from the Grange, and also an orange and box of candy from the S. School.

Every body present was treated to ice cream and cake.

With the resignation of Mr. Bradford the Sunday School has lost two valuable helpers.

Mrs. Bradford has been a very enthusiastic teacher and worker in the School and it is missed by her class and the whole school.

We are fortunate however in having a capable a person as Miss. Amy Parkhurst to take charge of her class. The School has had other losses during the year.

Mrs. Gould. having resigned as Supt. of the Cradle Roll and Mrs. Hillam having resigned as teacher of the beginners class.

The work done by Mrs. Gould who has had charge of the Cradle Roll since it was started is certainly worthy of appreciation of the Church and community.

Mrs. Hillam informs me that she has been a worker in the S. School either as Teacher or Officer for about Forty years which is certainly a commendable record.

We have also lost in our student membership as our Secy. Record will show

The fact that practically all our loss in membership however is due to children moving out of town it cannot be laid to the fault of the Sunday School.
There has been according to my figures thirteen individuals who have attended Sunday School at one time or another (not all regular members to be sure) who have left town in the past year. So as the good Deacons have told me. if the School has grown smaller it is only keeping pace with other activities of the town.

Respectfully submitted
Paul E. Pillsbury
Superintendent.

Report of Sec. & Treas. of Ladies Missionary Society.
Basford again met its apportionment of $91.54

Balance in Bank Oct 1924	$7.97	
" on hand	1.39	
Membership Fees	6.75	
Collections	1.00	
Gifts	75.25	92.36
Sent to Essex South Alliance of the Woman's Home Miss. Asso.	37.33	
Sent to Essex South Branch of the Womens' Board of Missions	54.67	92.00
Amount on hand Oct 1925		.36

Respectfully submitted
Margarete H. Bond.
Sec. & Treasurer.

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We have followed the better tradition of harmony, welcoming to our communion persons of widely different beliefs who were at one in their desire to serve a common Master.

Much of this ideal of inclusive kindness we owe to Mr. Coggin who settled here at the building of the present church in 1835.

continued as its pastor for thirty years, and then lived among us as many more, to the great benefit of the town. The same quiet dignity which shone for so many years in Mr. and Mrs. Coggin appeared again to our great comfort in Mr. and Mrs. Bradford. May their unofficial residence among us now just beginning, be like that of their predecessors, long, influential and happy.

Mr. Bradford was born January 16, 1847, in Brooklin Maine. He graduated from Andover Theological Seminary in 1872. In July of that year he was ordained in Boxford, and on September 6, 1872. he married Annie M. Locke. The following year his only child Ruth, was born. It was in 1902 that he went to East Weymouth, in 1913 that he returned.

To avoid misconception one thing more needs to be said. Wherever in this speech I have spoken of Mr. Bradford the name should be understood as having a double meaning.

Like Mr. and Mrs. Coggin, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford have been so united that it is impossible to think of one apart from the other. It is a joint service to the town which they have liberally rendered, and our gratitude goes forth to the pair as to a single benefactor.

Boxford
August 25, 1925.

F. H. Palmer.

The members of the First Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass.

Feeling profoundly grateful for the long faithful and efficient service of Mr. J. Perley Killam, desire to express to him hereby their appreciation and to say to him and to all men, that his twenty-seven years of unremitting labor as Deacon, as Treasurer of various funds, etc, etc, have been an important factor in the successful administration of our parish and town and a signal service to his fellow-men and to Almighty God.

Moved by Rev. E. L. Bradford
Second " Mrs. F. N. Towne
Adopted by rising vote.

Feb. 21. 1926.

Notice received for Ecclesiastical Council to be held at Wash. St. Cong. Church, Beverly Mass on Tuesday March 16, 1926. at 4 o'clock P. M.
To examine and install their new Pastor.
Rev. Arthur B. Ransom.
Pastor and delegate invited to attend.

Extract from will of Lydia H. Stevens. Mar. 20. 26

"I give, to the treasurer of the First Church in Boxford one hundred dollars to be devoted to such benevolences as the Sunday School connected with said church shall vote from time to time."

Letters of dismission were granted to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Spaulding by the Church this day. Mar. 21 1926.

Letter of dismission were granted to Mr. George Bourne and Miss. Ruth Bourne by the Church this day. Mar. 28. 1926.

Caucus Conference held at Salem July 12. 1926. Paul L. Killam and Dwight L. Killam were chosen as delegates.

Aug. 29. 1926 Dwight L Killam infant son of Horace H. Killam and Maud Distrow Killam was baptized by his Grandfather Rev. Ed. E. Distrow. Mr. Distrow also preached the sermon of the morning service.

Dec. 18. 1926.
Received from the ~~Executor~~ Administrator of the will of Anna P. Young the sum Two hundred dollars ($200.) of the Ministerial Fund of the Church and have given the Treasurer a check for same.
Extract from will.
"Eighth: I give and bequeath to the First Cong. Church at Boxford, Mass. Two hundred dollars ($200.00) the said sum to form a part of what is known as the "Ministerial Fund" of said church and to be used and spent only for the payment of the salary or salaries of the minister or pastors of the same."

Annual meeting of Church.
Held in the Chapel Jan 12. 1927.
Meeting opened with prayer by the Pastor
Rev. Allen C. Legraw
Report of Clerk read and ~~adopted~~ approved.
Annual Election of Clerk, chose Geo. B. Parkhurst
" " " Treasurer chose Dwight L. Killam.
" " " Supt. of S.S. chose Paul L. Killam.
Decorating Committee { Mary F. Moore.
Amy G. Parkhurst.
Eotha K. Perley
Report of Treasurer read and accepted.
" " Supt. of S.S. " " "
" " Secy. " " " was not heard.
" " Mary Ann Peabody Fund read and approved.
" " Caroline E. Peabody Fund " " "
" " Ladies Benv. Society " " "
" " Womens Missionary Society " " "
The Sarah P. Perley Fund was discussed in reference to obtaining the interest on same, and it was decided the trustees of the other funds were the ones to handle this fund, and the Clerk was directed to notify the Warren Savings Bank of Peabody of the date of the meeting
Report of Lydia H. Stevens Fund read and approved.
The envelope system adopted for another year committee to distribute same.
Voted to assume the expenses of the Sunday School for another year.
Annual roll call.
Note of appreciation to Geo. H. Palmer read

and approved, with a copy to be furnished to
Col. Palmer.

See page 203

Voted that the Clerk send a note of thanks to
Mrs. Romney Spring for the Piano.
Voted to appoint a committee to take care of
the supper for the next annual meeting
Committee as follows.
Mrs. A. E. Degrow.
Mrs. F. F. Fillam.
Miss. Amy E. Packhurst
Remarks by the Pastor. closing with prayer.
About 30 members present.

Geo. B. Packhurst Clerk.

First Congregational Church Dayton

Report of the Treasurer for the year 1926

Jan. 1st. to Jan. 1st.

Receipts

Cash balance Jan. 1, 1926.		$28.55
Regular Collections		82.01
Special "		
Near East Relief	$ 2.50	
Am. Christian Home for E. Mediterranean	14.35	38.35
Missionary Work		
1/32 Pledges & gifts	233.20	
Sunday School	72.96	306.16
		$435.07

Increase of $45. for Missionary work of Church.

Expenses

Missionary Work		Church	S. School	Total
American Board	27%	59.67	19.71	79.40
Women's "	1%	2.50	0.22	2.72
Mass. H.M. Soc.	14 1/4%	35.63	10.40	46.03
Mass. W. H.M. Soc.	14%	35.	10.22	45.22
Am. M. Asso.	9.5%	23.75	6.93	30.68
Cong. C. B. Soc.	6%	15.	4.38	19.38
" Edu. Soc.	5.5%	13.75	4.02	17.77
" S.S. & Pt. Soc.	2%	5.00	1.46	6.46
Mass. Bd. Prin. Aid	3%	7.00	2.19	9.19
Annuity fund for Prin.	1.5%	3.75	1.10	4.85
Foundation for Education	2.25%	5.63	1.64	7.27
Boston Seamans Friend Soc.	1%	2.50	.73	3.23
		238.20	73.00	306.20

Special gifts
N. E. Home for L. Wanderers $14.30
Near East Relief 2.00 $16.32

S. School bills 41.02
Church Expenses
Conference Tax 19.20
Printing Programs Env. &c 5.25
Communion 2.00 $26.45

412.52
Cash balance Jan 1 27. 22.55
$435.07

Respectfully submitted.
Dwight S. Fiske, Treasurer.

Supt. of Sunday School Report.
To the members of the First Congl Church, Board.
The year 1926 has brought some changes in our school Tongs These have not prevented the school from gaining in both membership and contributions as is shown by the secretary's report.
It was a disappointment to have Miss Noble and Mrs. Pickard unable to continue as teachers Though we have been fortunate in having two very capable individuals to fill the vacancy. The Faculty of the school now consists of Mrs. Begrow in charge of the Adult class Miss. Amy Packhurst, Intermediate or Junior girls. Mrs. John Taylor, Intermediate Boys Miss. Esther Cosby Primary. Mrs. J. Paley Pitman Kindergarten and Mrs. Edward Mortimer, Cradle roll.

On Easter Sunday an Easter Concert was given under the able direction of Miss. Lucy and Miss. Jones.

There was a perfect attendance of the Sunday School on this occasion.

The School combined with the church in furnishing [illegible] on Sunday [illegible].

During the month of August a committee from the Sunday School cooperating with a committee from the Grange decided to us that it is still possible to have a real community picnic.

The picnic was held at Forrick Beach with a large number of the people of the community attending.

On December 22nd the Annual Christmas Entertainment was held, the Sunday School, Public Schools and Grange cooperating as usual to give the youngsters a good time.

It is a great satisfaction to the Supt. To have the enthusiastic and interested support which has been given by all connected with the school throughout the year. An interest which is certainly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted

Paul E. Fillow

Report of Benevolent Society for year 1926.

Received for year 1926	$285.04
Expenditures " " "	125.22
	109.82
Added to balance on hand 1926.	295.46
leaves balance on hand Jan 1927.	$405.28

Ella A. Swann, Treasurer.

Report of the Women's Missionary Society.
No meetings were held until Nov. but in Oct.
thru the generous contributions of its members
$25.29 was sent to the Essex South Branch and
$35.50 to the Essex Annual to the credit of the
Apportionment of this church.

Money on hand Jan 1 $7.09

Respectfully submitted
Mary Merritt W. Cond. Sec.

Report of Mary Ann Peabody Fund.

Jan. 15. 1926 Balance		.11
Paid from Savings Bank		135.00
		135.11
Paid for books	$1 82.00	
Balance	3.11	
	135.11	

Respectfully submitted
C. F. Allam Treas.

Jan. 12. 1927.

Report of Caroline E. Peabody Fund.

Received during year	$38.60
Paid for church supper	$7.61
" Flowers & Easter plants	11.15
" mens class	1.25
" Bibles	8.76
" S. S. Papers	12.67
	38.41
Balance	.27
	38,00

Respectfully submitted
S. Mary Killam Treas.

Jan. 12. 1927.

Report of Mrs. Stevens Fund.

Rec'd from the late Mrs. Stevens $50. from use of the income to be used as I shall vote from time to time.

This money is deposited in the Georgetown Savings Bank.

Interest accumulated to date $2.25

Dwight L. Killam, Church Treas.

Special collection of $28.46 received by the Treasurer and given to the Red Cross for Florida Disaster.

for the Treasurer
by Geo. B. Parkhurst
Clerk.

To Prof. George Herbert Palmer.
We the members of the First Cong. Church of Boxford, Mass. in Annual meeting assembled, desire to express to you our appreciation and thanks for your deep interest and generousness and generosity in carrying on the work of our church and town.
It is with pleasure that we remember the members of your family, who always had the interests of this church at heart although none of them were members of this church, yet they were always one of us, and we sincerely hope that you with them may be spared to reside with us for many years to come.

Copy sent to Prof. Palmer Jan. 19, 27.

Jan. 13. 1927. Notice sent to Warren Savings Bank of Laboratory Mass in regard to interest on Sarah L. Perley Fund.

Jan. 19. 1927. A letter of thanks sent to Mr. Money giving for the piano donated to the church.

June 12, 27. Paul Killam was elected a delegate to attend the Installation and ordination of the Maple St. Danvers, Mass. (Pastor)

Jan. 18. 27 Business meeting of the Church was held Monday evening Voted to take a ballot to see if the Church would hire Rev A.G. LeGrow for another year
It was voted by quite a majority to hire him for another year.
Voted to adjourn F.W.P. acting clerk.

Nov. 2, 27. Special Church meeting was held in the Chapel Wed. at 8 o'clock P.M. Deacon Parkhurst presiding.
Voted unanimously to install M. F.B. Moss as Pastor.
Committee of Supply to make arrangements for ordination and installation.
22 present. meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Rev. F. B. Ross.

Dear Brother.

The undersigned on behalf of the First Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass. and the First Parish connected therewith, beg leave respectfully to submit to your consideration the following certified copies of recent votes of that Church and Parish.

At a business meeting of the First Cong. Church of Boxford held Nov. 2. 1927 at 5 O'clock P.M. the following record was made.

Deacon Parkhurst was in the chair.

Voted unanimously to extend a call to Rev. F. B. Ross to become our Pastor and Religious teacher.

Voted that the Supply Committee namely John W. Parkhurst, Chester Killam and Mrs. F. O. Moore be a committee to communicate the action of the Church to Rev. Ross and make arrangements for his Ordination and Installation in case the Parish concur and he accepts.

A true copy of record.

John W. Parkhurst Chairman.

Geo. B. Parkhurst Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the First Parish held Nov. 17. 1927 it was voted that the Parish concur with the Church in requesting Rev. F. B. Ross, to become our Pastor and Religious teacher, the vote being unanimous.

Voted that should he accept our joint invitation the Parish will pay him an annual salary of $1250. to be paid monthly also the use of the Parsonage, with 3 Sundays vacation as long as the relation shall continue.

Voted that F. C. Killam and G. B. Parkhurst be a committee to act with the committee of the Church in all proceedings made

necessary by the above vote.

a true copy
J. C. Killam Clerk.

Below we deem sir, to add to the invitation conveyed in these votes the expression of our earnest hope that you will be able to see clearly that it is the desire of the true Head of the Church that you accept this call, and name an early day for the Installation services.

Yours in the Lord
John W. Parkhurst.
Geraldine D. Moore.
Lucretia Killam
Robert B. Parkhurst.
J. Perley Killam

} Committee of the Church and Parish.

a true copy, attest.
Robt B. Parkhurst.
Clerk.

Boxford. Mass.
November 21. 1927.

Committee of the Church and Parish,
First Congregational Church and Parish
Boxford, Massachusetts.

Dear Brothers & Sister,

The letters bringing me the report of the votes of the Parish and Church of Boxford give me every reason to welcome the call contained therein to become your pastor and religious teacher.

The privilege which Mrs. Ross and I have had of living in Boxford before this Call has been extended has convinced me of our great good fortune in being able to accept it.

Under the conditions specified in these letters we shall be most happy to live in and serve this community.

I am requesting that the date for my ordination and installation be set for the 7th of December, in order that we take full advantage as possible of the present open weather, which will be a great aid to those who come from a distance.

Trusting that through the providence of God I may be able to bring you all the spiritual gifts of the Gospel which lie within the power of a minister, and that our relationship may prove to be a long one,

Most sincerely yours
Frederick B. Ross.

ORDINATION OF THE REV.F.B.NOSS

TO THE MINISTRY OF THE GOSPEL.

Ecclesiastical council at the Boxford Congregational Church,Danvers,Massachusetts, December 7,1927.

Pursuant to a letter missive the following pastors and delegates gathered in the Congregational church at Boxford and formed an ecclesiastical council for the purpose of examining Mr. F.B.Noss for ordination to the christian ministry and if results were favorable to install him as pastor of the above church.

The council was called to order by the Rev.E.L. Bradford,at 10.45 A.M. The letter missive was read by Mr. Bradford.By a unanimous vote Rev. A.V.House of First Church,Danvers was elected moderator and Rev. K.R.Hehley of Maple Street Church,Danvers was elected scribe. Prayer was offered by the moderator.

The following churches responded to the roll taken from the letter missive:Marblehead;Linebrook, Ipswich;West Boxford;Georgetown;Topsfield; First Church,Danvers;Maple Street,Danvers;Tabernacle,Salem; Dane Street,Beverly;Gloucester and Maverick church in East Boston.

Because of an error the churches in Beverly and Gloucester did not appear in the letter missive and so Dr. Madsen and Dr. Jones were elected corresponding members.Rev. Mr. Roys, a former pastor of the church,was elected an honorary member.

The moderator called for the records of the church and parish.These were read and found to be satisfactory.Following this the candidate,Mr. Noss read a paper concerning his theological beliefs and later gave an account of his religious experience.

Following these papers the pastors and delegates asked Mr.Noss questions which were very satisfactorily answered.It was then voted that the council be my itself. Once more the roll was called and the pastors and delegates spoke words of commendation regarding the spirit and work of Mr. Noss. It was voted unanimously that the council proceed with the church in the ordination to the Christian ministry and the installation of Mr. Noss as pastor of the church with the understanding that he is to become a member of the Boxford church.

The moderator appointed Rev. E.L.Bradford,Dr. James H.Ropes and Dr. H.C.Hale as a committee to notify Mr. Noss and to arrange the program for the afternoon.The coucil then adjourned until the after noon session.Following the afternoon session the council adjourned sine die.

Respectfully,
Kenneth R. Hehley
Scribe

Danvers Dec. 9, 1927.

GEORGE B. PARKHURST
BOXFORD, MASS.

To the Cashier of The Warren Saving. Bank
of Peabody Mass.

By a vote of Church at their annual meeting
held in First Cong. Church Chapel on Jan 11. 1928.
~~The Clerk~~ was voted to notify you to pay
any interest accruing from the Deacons
Piney Fund, to Mr. J. F. Killam of Boxford.

Yours respectfully
Geo B Parkhurst
Clerk.

Approved
By Deacons.

Copy

Sept 16 1929

Present Bro. Deacon Parkhurst Moderator

Resignation of Rev F. O Ross received and accepted with regrets.

Committees appointed

Resolutions	Bro Paul - Bro. Waters
Supply	Bro Waters - Deacon Tillman - Deacon Parkhurst
Dismissal	Rev. F O Ross - Deacon Tillman - Deacon Parkhurst

Annual meeting of the First Cong. Church was held in the Chapel Jan 9. 1928.
Supper was served in the dining room previous to the meeting which was well attended and enjoyed.
The business meeting was called to order by the Pastor opening with prayer.
Election of Officers.
For Clerk Geo. F. Parkhurst
" Treasurer Dwight C. Tilton,
" Supt. of S. School Paul C. Tilton.
" Deconing same as last year as follows
Mary F. Moore,
Amy F. Parkhurst
Esther F. Peabody.
Report of Treasurer read and accepted.
" " Supt. of S. School " " "
Remarks by Supt of S. School
" " Pastor.
Report of Trustee Mary Alice Peabody read & accepted
" " Caroline E. Peabody " " "
" " Sarah P. Perley " " "
" " Ladies Benv. Society " " "
" " Womens Missionary Society " "
" " Lydia F. Stevens " " "
Voted to assume the expenses of S. School for the year ensuing.
Remarks by Rev. C. E. Bradford in regard to collection of indebt on Sarah P. Perley fund empowering S. P. Perley to collect same and that the Clerk notify the Bank to that effect, both Deacon's names appearing on

Duo notice
Envelope system discussed at length.
Voted to continue same as last year. Loose change
to go to S. School
Deacon Killam made remarks concerning system.
Motion to have envelopes in pews not carried.
There were 32 present.
Meeting adjourned at 9.03 P.M.

A true record
Geo. B. Markhurst,
Clerk.

First copy, much Report of the Treasurer from Jan. 1, 1927 to Jan. 1st, 1928.

Receipts.

Cash Bal. Jan 1 1927		$22.53
Missions 31 Pledges & gifts	213.21	
Ladies Benvolent Society	10.	
" Missionary "	50.	
Sunday School	108.74	
Total for Missions		381.95
Regular Collections		64.64
Special "		
N. Shore Babies Hospital	11.00	
Red Cross Flood Fund	21.56	
Total Receipts		501.15

Expenses.
Missions

Foreign Missions (a to 6 Jan)		$154.38
National Home "		161.74
State Work		51.46
Conv S.S. Extension Society	14.37	381.95

Special Gifts.

North Shore Babies Hospital $1.00

[illegible] 2.[illegible] Total gifts $[illegible]

Expenses

Sunday School Bills	56.34	
Insurance Tax	17.92	
Communion Expenses	1.57	
Postage Cards Printing	1.70	
Lantern slides	5.80	
		$83.33
Total.		497.87
Cash bal. Jan. 1. 1928.		3.3[illegible]
		$501.15

Respectfully submitted
Dwight E. Killam Treas.

Report of the Mary Ann Peabody Library fund

Balance on hand Jan 12, 1927 2.59

" " Jan 1, 1928 2.59

There will be interest [illegible] about $1.15 [illegible]

from Georgetown Savings Bank

Respectfully submitted
D. P. Killam Treas.

Report of the Caroline E. Peabody Fund.

Balance on hand Jan. 12. 1927. 1.24

Recd from Savings Bank 15.00

39.00

54.24

Paid for flowers 9.30

Bills for S.S. 5.85

Programs Sunday service Installation 13.00

S. School Papers 2.3.83

51.78

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1927, $2.20
Interest due from Bank April 15 about $2.00
Respectfully submitted.
J. Perley Fillam Treas.

Report of the Sarah [illegible] Fund.
Withdrawn from Savings Bank $27.47
Paid Dwight L. Fillam $ .50
Installation Dinner 19.50
29.47

Interest in Bank $ 1.59.18
Respectfully submitted
J. Perley Fillam.
Bedford Jan. 11, 1928.

Report of the Supt. of the Sunday School.
The year 1927 has brought a marked increase in the attendance and membership of the S. School which is very gratifying to our Supt. and I would like at this time to express my appreciation & the enthusiastic support given by the workers in the School.
Our secretaries note show that the Sch. has had 7 sessions. The membership has increased from 35 to 56 not including the Cradle Roll which has also made gains now containing 1 names.
Those on the honor roll for perfect attendance for the year are Evelyn Todd, Marion Todd, Ruth and Preston Todd Lincoln - Irene and Hazel Hamm. Evelyn Todd having a perfect record of attendance.
On Easter Sunday the School combined with the Church in holding appropriate exercises.

On Childrens Sunday the school presented the Children's Day pageant. "The Friend of ~~Little~~ Children" A plant, a gift from the Ladies Benevolent Society was given to each child present.

During the summer the people of the community were invited to ingoin us in our annual picnic held at Schmick Beach, There was a large attendance on this occasion. Bathing and sports were much enjoyed. Prizes were awarded to those winning the greatest number of races.

I am sure that all who were present at our annual Christmas Tree will agree that the children had "one real time". This affair was held as usual with the schools and Grange cooperating on the afternoon of Dec. 23. A very entertaining program was provided by the schools and presents for the children by the Grange. On the First Sunday in October. Rally Sunday the school adopted a system of grading whereby it will not be necessary for a pupil to remain in the same class as long as he continue to come

Mr. and Mrs. Legrow proved two very interested and enthusiastic workers in the school. Mr. Legrow greatly raised the importance of religious education and was ever looking for the best things for the school, although his teachers meetings were slightly unfortunate at first, I am sure they were of value to the teachers. With the coming of Mrs. Legrow as teacher of the adult class it seemed for a while that there would be no longer be an adult class, but acting on a suggestion made to me

that Mrs. Swann would teach a class. I approached her on the subject of taking charge of the adult class with favorable results. There is now an enrolled membership of eight in her class and the ladies are coming to Sunday School. Their only regret is that the men don't come with them. Other teachers added during the year are Miss. Gast and Mr. and Mrs. Kitts, who I am sure will be a great help.

Respectfully submitted.

Paul E. Tilden,
Superintendent.

+ Report of the money left by the late Miss. Agatha N. Stevens for the Sunday School.

Deposited in the Georgetown Saving's Bank

Principal	$100.00
Interest	6.89
	$106.89

Respectfully submitted

Dwight E. Tilden,
Church Treas.

Report of Treasurer of Missionary Society

Receipts

On hand Jan. 1, 1927.	$ 7.77
Dy Supper	17.80
" "	22.00
" Members	18.00
" Treas. Mites, sale of Smocks	33.20
" Bank Int.	.21
	116.00

Disbursements

To Dwight S. Freeman Treas.

Howard Church apportionment	$50.00
Le Grace K. Towns	2.00
" Golden Anniversary Gift	17.98
" Tuskegee Brick J. College N.C.	5.00
Penn Normal School Georgia	5.00
	79.98
Balance on hand	$36.02

Respectfully submitted
Augusta H. Bond, Treasurer.

Report of the Ladies Benevolent Society
for the year 1927.

Cash on hand Jan. 1. 1927.		$403.25
Receipts for the year	327.56	
Disbursements " "	373.12	
		-45.5-
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1928.		$359.72

Respectfully submitted,
Ella A. Swann Treas.

April 8. 1928.
Eight new members taken into the church today including the Pastor. Mr. Noas.
May 6. 1928 Mrs. Noas received as member.

Childrens Sunday 1928
Social Sun Rose Sept.

1929

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Report of Caroline E. Peabody Fund
for year ending Jan. 30 1929

Balance on hand Jan 11. 1928	2.26
Recd from Savings bank	37.26
	$39.52
Paid for Annual Church Supper	2.82
" flowers	3.50
Easter flowers	7.50
Anthems for choir	7.40
S.S. Papers	18.30
	$39.52
Interest in Savings bank	12.91

J. Perley Litham Treas.
by H.W. Waters Clerk

Sarah C. Perley Fund

Jan 30. 1929 Interest on Savings bank book $11.16
There is one years interest due

J. Perley Litham Treas
by H.W. Waters
Clerk

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Mary Linn Peabody Fund

for year ending June 30. 1929

Balance on hand June 30. 1928	2.59
Rec'd from Saving's bank	116.93
	$119.52
Paid for S.S. books	118.77
balance	.75.
	$119.52
Interest in bank about 4%	

T. Perley Pitcham Treas
by H.W. Water Clerk

Report of the $100. left by Mrs Stearns for the Sunday school

June 1. 1928	Principal	$100.	Paid for Hymn books	22.97
	Interest	6.89	June 1. 1929 balance	88.25
		106.89		$111.22
	Interest	4.33		
		111.22		

Treasurers Report June 1. 1929

June 1. 1928	Cash balance	$331
	Rec'd for Missions 31 Pledges gifts	189.20
	Ladies Benevolent Society	10.
	Sunday school	120.16
	Total	319.36
	Regular collections	86.29
		405.96

	Expenses	Sunday School	Church
Foreign Missions	(A.B.C.F.M.)	56.13	84.
National Home Missions		51.03	85.50
State work	(M.C.C. & W.S.)	7.01	28.50
Boston Seamen's Friend Society		1.19	2. -
	Total for Missions		319.36

Other expenses	forward 405.96 - 319.36	
Conference tax		17.44
Pledge cards		1.15
Sunday school bills		40.77
Cash balance Jan 1. 1929		26.54
	405.96	405.96

Margaret K. Pilkington Treas
by H.B. Watson Clerk

Ladies Benevolent Society

Six meetings have been held during the winter at some of the homes. During the discussions and readings the ladies made sewing bags for the children burned to hard

In June the sixth Essex Division was entertained. $5.50 color expenses were cleared. In December two large boxes of Bradford entertainment with the Japanese friends in full Christmas boxes were sent to Ellis Island and to the Blanche Kellogg Institute in Porto Rico

Receipts		Expenses	
On hand Jan 1. 1928	30.02	Japanese doll, suit	2.00
deposited	5.50	Box to Porto Rico etc	15.00
"	6.60		
Interest	2.03		
Membership dues	8.00		
	.40		
	58.55		58.55

Margaret K. Pilkington Treas
by H.B. Watson Clerk

Annual Meeting Jan 30 1929

Election of officers

Treasurer	Dwight L Killam
Sunday School Supt.	Paul L. Killam
Clerk	Mabel C Waters
Decorating committee	Amy S. Parkhurst
	Esther M. Perley
	Harry F. Moore

Preceding reports read and accepted

Voted. That the Lydia F Stevens Fund be increased to now by taking enough money from other funds to make up the deficit

Voted. That the Church assume the expense of the Sunday School - That we continue the envelope system for another year.

Jessie D Parkhurst
Clerk Pro. tem.

Boxford, Massachusetts,

September 7, 1929

The First Congregational Church and Parish

Boxford, Massachusetts.

Dear Brethren,

Having received the call of the South Church in Andover to become its assistant pastor and having carefully considered its nature and the extent of its opportunity I have decided to accept. This decision has not been reached easily or without pain. Nevertheless, having looked forward for sometime with sadness to the moment when it would be necessary for me to present my resignation to you, I feel bound to give thanks that the call has come from a field so near here. The friendships which have grown between me and the members of this parish are such as will always bind me to it in spirit with the closest ties of affection, but I rejoice that I am not going so far that the contacts between my family and your families need to be terminated as do the formal bonds of my pastorate. In leaving you I will cease to be your pastor, but I shall never forget you or fail to cherish you as friends.

Here in Boxford Mrs. Noss and I have made our first home, and it was in this church that I was ordained into the Christian ministry. Two years ago we came into this parish as strangers not only to it but to New England; but in that short time we have learned to call it home. A few months ago, when the baby came to us, it seemed impossible that we should ever be called upon to call Boxford by any other name than that. We both fully realize that

whatever we have said or done, the presence of our baby daughter has made us seem one of your own families more than anything else. In the discovery of that fine sweet spirit of yours has come our greatest joy in being here. Now more than ever would it seem that I could do my best for you and receive again many fold, but the call has come and we must be resolute to answer it.

I am asking you to allow my resignation to take effect on the Ist of October of this year, because of the need to begin as soon as possible with the work at Andover. I regret that it has been impossible to inform you of this decision earlier. While I have not been in haste to resign, I was not aware that this opportunity would develop until the past week. I trust that this Church will suffer no harm because of my sudden departure and that it will be led speedily to a wise choice of a successor.

Affectionately yours,

Frederick B. Moss

September 16. 1929
Present 10. Moderator Deacon Parkhurst
Resignation of Rev. F. B. Noss received and accepted with regrets.
Committees appointed
Resolutions Mrs Paul - Mr. Waters
Supply Mrs Waters - Deacons Kellam & Parkhurst
Dismissal Rev. F. B. Noss - Deacons Kellam & Parkhurst.

RESOLUTIONS FOR REV. FREDERICK B. NOSS

WHEREAS the Rev. Frederick B. Noss, having tendered his resignation as pastor of the First Congregational Church of Boxford, Mass., and the Church having accepted the same -
RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Church express to him our deep regret at his going and also our hearty appreciation of his work, both as pastor and preacher.
We wish to bear witness to his sterling christian character and to the sincerity of his statements both in the pulpit and parish.
RESOLVED, at this time to recognize the fine work of Mrs. Noss in the parish and her active interest manifested in the several branches of the Church's work.
We wish both Mr. and Mrs. Noss the truest success in their new field.
RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions be presented to Mr. and Mrs. Noss, and also that they be written into the records of the Church.

October 21. 1929
Voted to hire Rev Rolland Emerson Wood for one year at $1250. per year and use of parsonage

Annual Meeting Jan 15. 1930

Moderater Rev. R. E. Wolfe
Meeting opened with prayer by Rev R.E. Wolfe
The following reports were submitted Treasures
Missionary report, Annie D. Perley fund, Caroline E. Patterson fund, Mary Ann Peabody Library fund, Lydia F. Stevens fund
Benevolent Society
Motion carried, That Church try to raise $300. in 1930 for missions
Motion carried Rev. Bradford and Rev. Mr. Wolfe to appoint committee to call on new and visit members
Officers elected.

Clerk, Albert O Waters
Deacon, John W. Parkhurst, term ex, mis 1930
Dear. Dwight L Killam
Supt Paul L Killam
Secretary committee Annie S. Parkhurst
Esther S. Perley
Harry F. Brooks

Motion carried. That the clerk send a letter of thanks to Mr. Stanton for the beautiful Christmas wreath.
Motion carried. That the clerk send to Mrs Wm. W. Stone the invitations of the members of the Church for sentimental health and happiness
Motion carried That Benevolent Society render a detailed business report at each annual meeting of the Church
Motion carried, That the use of cluster envelopes be discontinued.

Albert O Waters
clerk

October 19, 1930

Voted to hire Rev. Rolland Emerson Wolfe for another year beginning with January 1 1930

Voted to ratify the action of the Supply committee in hiring Rev. Wolfe from January 1 1929

1931

The annual meeting of the Church was held on Jan. The Pastor in the chair. Prayer was offered by the Pastor The records of meetings held during 1930 were read and adopted The officers were elected for 1931 Trustees Sumner Killam S.S. Supt. Paul L Killam Clerk-Treas H O Waters. J. Perley Killam was elected as Deacon for the years 1931/1936. Harriet L Bradford was elected Congregational representative. The following committees were elected Decoration Mrs. Annie Prosser - Ushers J. Perley - Mrs. Van Kamecke - Mrs. Reed

The following reports in writing were read accepted and placed on file - Treasurer Ladies Aid Evans Fund, Sunday School and Parsonage repair fund Reed Fund Perley Fund - Mary Ann Perley fund - Church choir repair fund - Caroline E. Perley fund - Mary Perley United Ladies Benevolent Society -

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A Verbal report of the Ladies Benevolent Society showed a credit balance of $372.34

It was voted that "The Church assume the expense of the Sunday school" "The clerk send a letter to Mrs Lizzie and Mrs Hine conveying the good wishes of the Church members. Adjourned

H O Waters clerk.

October 4. 1931

At a meeting called after church services it was voted that the Rev. Richard Inscoe Wolfe, be called for a period of two years from November 1 1931
A call signed by the request of Margaret Eleanor that her name be removed from the list of members of the church.

January 18. 1932

The annual church meeting was held on January 8. 1932
The following were declared elected.

Superintendent of Sunday School	Paul L Williams
Church Treasurer	Dwight L Williams
Clerk	Hubert Waters

The following committees were appointed:

To visit the sick, Mrs Van Saanecke - Mrs Carol - M. Mathews
Executive committee Mrs S. Inscoe Mrs Ethel Eaton Mrs Moore
Congregational representative E Robert Little

Voted

That the Treasurer Mr. Crockford and records of the church books in the year 1932

" That the Church assume all financial responsibility in the Sunday school for the year 1932

The clerk reported seven new members and the loss of six members and baptisms to date five.

That Mrs Eva Rich be removed from membership because of no knowledge of her whereabouts but a letter of dismissal if issued is required at a later date.

That the Parish committee meet and consider repairing the organ as contained to Mrs Moore at a cost of about $200.

The music committee with the Pastor to secure new hymn books

That the clerk send greetings to our W. J. Stone as the oldest member of the church.

Reports of the various church funds and organizations were received and accepted.

Herbert Waters Clerk

The association meeting of the Essex South district was held in this church on May 24 1932 the number present and various facilities

Special services offered during the summer brought a greatly increased attendance concluding with the offering of the Orations "Hymns on the church tablet with the enclosing of about 700 [illegible]

Feb 6 1933 voted

The annual church meeting was held on Feb 6. 1933 to accept reports of the clerk, treasurer S.S. auditor auditor Tacher Benevolent Soc. Tacher Missionary Society and the various church funds.

" that the [illegible] assume the expenses of the Sunday school

" that the committee to visit the sick to number three

" not to elect a Surgical attendant committee

" to give Rev. Mr. Bradford the church hymn

" appreciation to the auditor committee of 1932 & 1933

" that the clerk send the good wishes of the church members

" to Mrs. W. P. Stone and Mrs. Charles Perley

The following were elected

Herbert C Waters clerk - Dwight L Pillsbury, Treas - Rev. Emery L Bradford, auditor - committee to visit the sick Mrs Bond Mrs Von Kaenel - Mr. Mathews. Decorating committee Mrs S. Parkhurst - Esther K. Perley - Harry Moore

" to confirm action of the standing committee and Sunday school in choosing Paul L Pillsbury as superintendent for 1933

voted the appreciation of the church members to Dr & Mrs Wolfe for the work in the church and pleasure in their return to good health
members present 38

Oct 21 1933 Invited Rev. Dr Wolfe to continue as pastor for the next two years

Nov 18. 1933 Accepted by Rev. Dr Wolfe with limitations.

The annual Church Meeting held Jan 16. 1934. 36 present. The report of the Clerk for the year 1933 was read and accepted. The report of the Treasurer was read and accepted. This included a report of the Sunday school fund.
The auditor reported that he had examined the report of Treasurer and found it correct. The Superintendent of the Sunday School presented his report which was accepted. Miss Esther Perley for the Decorating committee, and the report received. A vote of thanks was extended to the Committee. Voted to instruct the Committee to purchase Easter lillies for 1934.
Mrs F. H. Bond reported for the Committee visiting the sick, and this report was voted and accepted.
As a result of the nominations the following officers were chosen:

Robert B. Parkhurst. Clerk.
Rev. E. L. Bradford. auditor.
Paul L. Killam. Treasurer.
Esther Perley
Mary Parkhurst. } Decorating Committee.
Harry F. Moore
Mrs Geo. B. Parkhurst
Mrs. F. B. Matthews } Visiting the sick Comm.
Hazel Killam. Supt. of Sunday School.
Music. Comm

An amendment to the By-Laws of the Constitution of the First Congregational Church of Boxford was proposed & Voted The amendment read as follows. It shall be the duty of the Pastor, in due time before each annual meeting to appoint a nominating committee of three members who shall nominate Candidates for office. Where one officer is to be elected two nominations shall be made. In other casts, one more than the number to be elected, shall be nominated. This ballot shall be in printed form with blank spaces for the writing in of additional names. These ballots shall be available before the annual meeting.

Deacon T. Pailey Killam presented the Treasurers report also reports on special funds of the Church, namely The Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund. The Caroline E. Peabody Fund. The Sarah P. Peabody Fund. The Parsonage Repair Fund and the Church Clock Repair Fund. These reports were voted and accepted.

There was a discussion relative to the repair of the vestry clock. It was voted to have it repaired by a reputable clock mechanic. It was voted that the Church assume the responsibility for the expenses of the Sunday School.

Miss F. A. Bond presented the Report of the missionary society. It was voted to accept this report.

The report of the Benevolent Society was presented by Miss. Etta French and was accepted by the Church Meeting.

Deacons Parkhurst and Killam made a few remarks and expressed pleasure regarding the improved manner of conducting the meting. A motion was made to allow books from the Sunday School Library to be loaned to the Linebrook Sunday School. and voted.

a motion was made and voted that the Clerk write a brief History of the Church Work each year. giving a Graph of Church attendance and of the Sunday School. A motion of appreciation for the Supper was passed. Remarks were made on the Birthday of the Pastor Emeritus. Rev. E.L. Bradford. and voted that he enjoy many more. - Remarks by Rev. Bradford. on the occasion Voted to send greetings to Mrs W.B. Howe. and mrs. mary Berry.. sent. clerk.

A motion was made and passed that the Church empley the Duplex envelops for those members who cared to make their donations in this way.

It was voted that the Pastor and Finance Committee of the Parish draw up a plan to put this system in operation.

The meeting adjourned at 9.45 PM.

Robert B. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

1934.
April 1. On Easter Sunday April 1st. eight new members united with the Church. Mrs. Leo Richardson. Louise W. Mortimer. Evelyn F. Gould. Geraldine L. Herman. Everett P. Gould. David S. Waters. John Tenney Hills & Alerson E. Noyes.

During 1934. two members were removed by death. Mrs. Gladys Ayers Millen and. Mr. Charles A. Bixby.

Present membership is 132.

The annual church Meeting was held Tuesday Jan. 15. 1935.
The meeting was opened at 7.30 P.M. by prayer by the Pastor Emeritus. Rev. Emery L. Bradford.
The Clerk's report was read and accepted as read.
Thirty three members present.
A letter of dismission was granted to Mrs. Warren Mersall. (Elizabeth Paul) of Georgetown.
A motion was passed to accept the report of the Nominating Committe; and proceeded to the Election of Officers. as follows.
Clerk. Robert B. Parkhurst.
Auditor Rev. E. L. Bradford.
Treasurer Paul L. Killam.
Decorating Comm. { Pauline Ayers. Dorris Peabody. Dwight L. Killam.
Comm. of Visiting the sick. { Mrs. Albert C. Waters Mr. John F. Noyes.
Annual delegate to the Association Meeting Miss Sarah H. Gerst.
Deacon for five year. Robert B. Parkhurst.
Church voted to pay the running Expenses of the Sunday Shool. thereby allowing all of the School Collection to go to worthy Causes.
The Report of the auditor was accepted.
The report of the church Treasurer was read & accepted.
The report of the Supt of the Sunday School was given and accepted. also the report of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Sunday School.
Remarks were made by Rev. Bradford and Wolfe and a motion made and passed to send a delegate and the Superintendent S.S. to the Northfield Conference and that the

standing Comm book after financing the trip.
The report of the decorating Comm was read & accepted.
the report was given by Miss Amy Parkhurst and summed up the results of ten years of faithful service by this same Comm.
no report at hand of the Comm on visiting the sick.
Reports on Special Funds were given by T. P. Killam.
and accepted to be placed on file.
Mary Ann Peabody. Library Fund.
Caroline E. Peabody Fund.
Sarah P. Peabody. "
Parsonage Repair "
Church Clock " "
Voted that the Standing Comm get the Clock and have it repaired.
Report of the Ladies Missionary Societys work was made by Mrs Wolfe and financial report was given.
Report of the Benevolent Society was voted on & accepted.
Remark by Deacon J. W. Parkhurst and T. P. Killam on welfare of Church.
Voted to send letters of Greeting to Mrs W. B. Howe and Mrs. Mary Berry - Sent,
A vote of thanks was Extended to the Committee for the supper served this evening -
A motion to adjourn was carried at 9.15 PM.

Robert B. Parkhurst.
Church Clerk.

On Sunday Nov. 10 th it was voted to accept the invitation of the West Parish to hold Union Services with them on Thanksgiving Sunday Nov. 24th. same vote performed. e/pg.

We the undersigned supply Committee of the First Cong. Church and Parish in Bedford do ask the Rev. P. E Wolfe to remain as our Pastor for two years from Nov. 1-st. 1935. With three Sundays vacation and Salary of $1250.00 per year.

Nov. 1935.

John W. Parkhurst.
Mrs Chas W. Paul
T. Perley Killam
} Committee of Church

Paul L Killam
Marion S. Waters
} Committe of Parish.

accepted by. Rev. P. E. Wolfe.

It was voted on Sunday Nov. 10. 35 to accept the invitation of the West Parish to hold Union services with them on Thanksgiving Sunday. This was carried out on Sunday. Nov 24. 35.

R. B. Parkhurst. Clerk

1936.

The annual Church Meeting was preceded by a supper at seven P.M. Tuesday Jan 14. 1936. The meeting was opened at 7.45 - by prayer by Pastor Emeritus. Rev. Emery L. Bradford.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

The treasurers report was read and accepted and to be placed on file after being audited.

Reports from Decorating Committee, Visiting the sick and shut ins, and delegate to the Association meetings were lacking.

The report of the Supt of the Sunday School was given by Miss Hazel Killam. also a report covering Secretary and treasurer. It was voted to have a report of the Librarian on the condition and use of the books for another year.

It was voted to proceed with the election of officers on the ballots provided by the nominating Committee. Following were elected.

T. Perley Killam. Deacon for five years. to 1941.
Robert B. Parkhurst. Church Clerk for 1 year.
Paul L. Killam " Treasurer " "
Rev. E. L. Bradford auditor. " "

Decorating Comm. { Pauline Ayers.
Doris Peabody. " "
Bessie French.

Visiting sick and shut ins. { Mrs. A. C. Waters. " "
" E. K. Mortimer.

Delegate to Association Meetings Miss Lucie Peabody. " "
Miss Hazel Killam confirmed as Supt. of Sunday School. " "
Voted to care for running expenses of the Sunday School. " "

The reports on the Special Funds; Mary Ann Peabody Library Fund; Caroline E. Peabody Fund. Sarah P. Perley Fund. Parsonage Repair Fund and the Church Clock repair Fund were given by Dea. T. P. Killam accepted as read and placed on file.

It was voted to secure the old church clock and have it taken to Salem and repaired. ~~accepted~~

It was voted that the Parish Committee use money from the Parsonage repair fund to do needed work at the Parsonage.

Mrs Harry Moore gave the financial report of the Ladies Society. and accepted as read to be placed on file.

The Presidents report of the Missionary Society was read by Mrs. Bradford. accepted to be placed on file.

The Secretary and treasurers report was given by Mrs F. H Bond. and accepted as read. placed on file.

Remarks were made by Deacon J. W. Parkhurst. on past years work and the lift in attendance made by the Church Choir and the need of revision of the Church Manual.

It was voted to be put in the hands of the Standing Comm. to revise and have printed a new Church Manual

Deacon Millard commended the work accomplished by the Ladies Societies and good showing in the Sunday School.

It was voted to order a new Church Register & Record Book.

The Pastor. Dr. Wolfe gave figures on the average Church attendance for the past three (3) years. rising from 45 to 53. to 60 for year 1935. Very fitting remarks were made by Rev Mr. Bradford to stand firm and to carry on for true worth.

Voted to send a word of greeting to Mrs. W. B. Howe from the meeting.

Voted to send a note of thanks to Mr. Atherton for his contribution of candy to the Sunday school at Christmas time. to send a note of thanks to Deacon Millard for his help on the Decorating Comm during the past year. all sent, a rising vote of thanks was extended to those furnishing the nice supper.

Meeting adjourned at 9. 40. P.M.

Robert B. Parkhurst.

Clerk.

1937.

The annual Church meeting held Jan. 27. 1937.
For minutes of the meeting, reports, etc, see file for 1937. & opposite page for Minutes.
June 20. 1937 - see file re resolution on the Howe will.

New Book opened. 1938.

Jan. 27, 1937 a Committee was appointed to plan for the 100th. Anniversary (1938) of the present church building and the coming of Rev. Wm. S. Coggin to this church as Pastor.
Com. Mrs. N. P. Haynes, Ch., Mrs. F. A. Manny, Mrs. Henry Perley, Prof. F. C. Roberts, plus the Pastor and Clerk.

Aug. 13-14, 1938, the 100th. Anniversary of the building of the third meeting house and of calling and settling as parish minister, Doctor William Symmes Coggin
Sat. aft. Historic Pageant. Sat. night, Centennial Supper.
Sun. a.m. Centennial Service of Commemoration.
Sun. aft. Special Old Home Service.
(See Programmes on File)

Winnifid C. Parkhurst,
Clerk. 1940.

1937.

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Annual Church Meeting, January 27, 1937.

The Annual Church meeting of the Congregational Church of the First Parish was held in the Vestry and was preceded by a supper at 6:30 P.M. (38 present)

The meeting was called to order by Pastor, Rev. K. E. Wolfe, and meeting opened with prayer by Deacon J. W. Parkhurst.

The Clerk's reports was read and accepted as read.

An account of the year's work and the special activities of the Easter season given by the Pastor.

The Treasurer's report was given and accepted as read and placed on file.

The Auditor's report was omitted because of the sickness of Rev. Bradford.

A report of the Decorating Committee was accepted as read.

Mrs. Edward Mortimer gave a report for the Committee on visiting the sick and shut ins and Miss Lucie Peabody gave a report of the Association meetings held in May and October.

A report of the Supt. of the Sunday School, Miss Hazel Killam and the report of the Sec. & Treasurer Miss Dorris Peabody was given and accepted as read and placed on file.

A report was given by Deacon T. Perley Killam, covering the Caroline E. Peabody, Mary Ann Peabody, Sarah P. Perley, Clock Repair Fund, Parsonage Repair Fund, and the new Music Fund by Annie Howe Lowe. These were accepted as read and placed on file.

1937. Reports of the President and Secretary of the Ladies Benevolent Society and treasurer's report were accepted as read.

A report by the President, Mrs. R. E. Wolfe of the Ladies Missionary Society was given.

A report of the Nominating Committee, Deacon J. W. Parkhurst, Mrs. Bond and Mrs. Swann was given. Preston Sould and Frank Crawford were elected as tellers and the following officers elected to serve for the following year.

Clerk, Robert B. Parkhurst.
Treasurer, Paul L. Killam
Auditor, Franklin C. Roberts
Decorating Committee, Pauline Ayers, Margaret Moore, Bessie French (resigned), Mrs. N. P. Haynes elected.
Committee on Visiting the Sick,
Mrs. Edward K. Mortimer,
Mrs. Albert C. Waters.
Delegate to Association Meetings, Miss Lucie Peabody

It was voted to confirm the election by the Church School of Miss Hazel Killam as Superintendent for the coming year, and to assume all expenses of the Church School during 1937 as in recent years.

It was voted that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Horace E. Perley and greetings to Mrs. W. B. Howe. These were sent.

It was revealed that the Church attendance had increased during the past three years from an average of 48. 5/10 in 1934 to 61. 5/10 in 1935 and

1937. and 65. 6/10 in 1936.

Remarks were made by Dr. Wolfe and Mrs. Saunders regarding the holding meetings in the homes.

Voted that a letter of thanks be sent Mr. Roscoe Frame of the Frame Estate. The same was sent.

A vote of thanks and appreciation was extended to the supper comm.

A motion was made that the Church Manual be revised, and brought up to date by the Standing Comm. and the Pastor Emeritus.

A committee was appointed to plan for the 100th. Anniversary (1938), Mrs. N. P. Haynes, Chairman, Mrs. F. A. Manny, Mrs. Henry Perley, Mr. F. C. Roberts, plus the Pastor and Clerk.

The meeting closed with Benediction by the Pastor at 9:25 P. M.

Robert B. Parkhurst
Clerk.

A true copy
Attest:
Winnifrid C. Parkhurst,
Clerk 1940.

1938.

See new book # pg. 237

Annual Church Meeting.

The annual meeting of the First Congregational Church in Botford was held in the Vestry on Wednesday evening, Jan. 19, 1938.

A very fine supper was provided by the Committee, Mrs. Matthews and Mrs. Moore after which the meeting was opened by prayer by Deacon J. H. Parkhurst. Meeting opened at 7:45 P.M. with 33 present.

The Clerk's report was read and accepted as read. Suggested that the Clerk prepare a list of the activities for the year.

It was voted to transfer the names of Harold Nelson and Joseph Watkins to an inactive list of Church members as it has been impossible to locate them over a number of years.

One member removed by death, one by letter, seven new members received, making a net gain of five, with total of 136; and four Baptisms.

The report of the Church Treasurer was accepted and to be placed on file.

The report of the Decorating Committee was accepted and voted to send a vote of thanks to the Dunbar Lockwoods for the fine vases presented to the Flower Comm. The same was sent.

A word was given by Prof. Roberts on auditing of the reports.

A report of the comm. on visiting the sick and shut-ins was given by Mrs. Albert C. Waters and accepted.

A fine report was given by Miss Lucie Peabody as delegate to the Association Meetings, covering the May

1938. meeting in Middleton and the October meeting in Gloucester. Urged more to attend.

Mrs. S. Hills being sick a fine report was ~~given~~ read by Mrs. Wolfe, outlining the prospect before the Sunday School.

A report of the Secretary and Treas. of the S.S. was given, accepted as read, and to be placed on file.

A report on the use of the Library was given by the Librarian.

A report of the nominating Comm was accepted, and a unanimous vote was given for the clerk to cast one ballot to cover the following,

Clerk, Robert B. Parkhurst.

Treasurer, Paul L. Killam.

Auditor, Mrs. Henry Perley.

Committee on Visiting the Sick, Mrs. Edward Mortimer, Mrs. Albert C. Waters, and Mr. Chester Killam.

Annual Delegate to Association Meetings, Miss Lucie Peabody.

Mrs. Stanley B. Hills as Supt. of the S.S.

A report was given by Dea. T. P. Killam covering the Caroline E. Peabody, Mary Ann Peabody, Sarah P. Perley, Clock Repair Fund, Parsonage Repair Fund, and the Music Fund. These were accepted as read and to be placed on file.

The report of the Benevolent Society was accepted as read.

A report of the Missionary Soc. was given by Mrs. Bond and accepted subject to the audit. An interesting report on the work of the Soc. was given by Mrs. Wolfe.

Dr. Wolfe gave a report on the work with the Boy Scouts and the Cubs.

Remarks were made by Dea. T. P. Killam and Dea. J. N. Parkhurst, and urging to support the new Supt. of the S. S. Mrs. S. B. Hills.

1938. A vote of thanks was extended to the Janitor for faithful service.

A vote of thanks to Dea. J. N. Parkhurst for his part in raising the funds to cover heating of the Church.

Voted that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Chas. H. Paul. same sent.

A vote of thanks was given to the Supper Comm. and all the helpers for the fine supper.

It was voted that Heating Comm. corperate with the Heating Co. to put the heating plant in condition to properly heat on cold Sundays.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. MacPherson for her fine work with the Choir.

A report was given covering the outline on the the History of Bedford, for the Annual Old Home week for August 1938.

Meeting closed with benediction by the Pastor at 9:20 P.M.

Robert B. Parkhurst.
Clerk.

A true copy,
Attest:
Winnifred C. Parkhurst.
Clerk, 1940.

1939

See new book # pg. 237

Annual Church Meeting.

Minutes of the Annual Church Meeting, First Congregational Church. Held Thursday Jan. 26, 1939. Preceded by a fish chowder supper served by Mrs. F. H. Bond and Mrs. R. B. Parkhurst. Thermometer at zero outside.

Meeting opened with prayer at 7:45 P.M.

Clerk's report read and accepted. Treasurer's report given and accepted as read. Reports were given by Mrs. Horace Moore of the Decorating Comm. and Mrs. A. Nature and Chester Killam of the visiting Comm. Miss Lucie Pealody, delegate to the Association Meetings gave a very interesting report on the Meeting May 10. at Pealody and on Oct. 11 at the Central Church at Lynn.

The tellers announced the following list elected to serve for 1939.

Clerk, R. B. Parkhurst, Treas. Paul L. Killam, Auditor, Mrs. Henry Perley, Decorating Comm. Miss Pauline Ayers, Mrs. F. C. Roberts, Mrs. R. B. Parkhurst, Comm. on Visiting the sick and shut ins, Mrs. A. C. Waters, Mrs. C. K. Mortimer, Miss Winnifred Parkhurst.

Annual Delegate to the Association Meetings, Miss Lucie Pealody

Confirmed Mrs. S. B. Hills as Supt. of the Sunday School.

Voted that the Church assume the expenses of the Sunday School.

The Supt. of the Sunday School gave a very interesting and thoughtful report on the work of the Sunday School, followed by reports of the Sec. and Treas. and the Librarian.

Reports were given covering the Special Funds, and accepted as read.

A report was given by the President, Mrs. Geo. B. Parkhurst on

1939. the work of the Ladies Benevolent Society, followed by a report of the Secy. and Treasurer.

A vote of thanks was extended to those who helped in beautifying the vestry and kitchen.

Mrs. Wolfe presented a report on the work of the Missionary Soc. followed by a report of the Treas. Mrs. F. H. Bond.

It was voted that the Church assume sponsorship of the Boy Scouts, and voted that they unite with the Southern Council.

Remarks were made on noted progress by Dea. T. P. Killam and by Dr. Wolfe.

Voted to send note of appreciation and remembrance to Mrs. N. B. Hone. same was sent

Voted to hold next year's meeting in the Vestry as usual.

Voted that a note of appreciation be sent Mr. Romney Spring for his work in securing adjustments on the heating plant. same were sent

A note of commendation was expressed to John Hills for his pains in keeping the record of Church attendance.

It was voted that a Committee of three be appointed by the chair to meet with a Comm. from the Parish to consider and discuss the desirability of merging the interests of the Church and Parish.

A vote of appreciation was extended to David Nature for his work as janitor.

Dr. Wolfe announced a series of speakers for the Lenten season.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the Supper Comm. and a vote of appreciation to those who served

1939. on the Anniversary Committees.

Voted that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Walter Paul. same sent.

Meeting closed with Benediction by Dr. Wolfe at 9:45 P.M.

R. B. Parkhurst.
Clerk.

A true copy
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Clerk. 1940.

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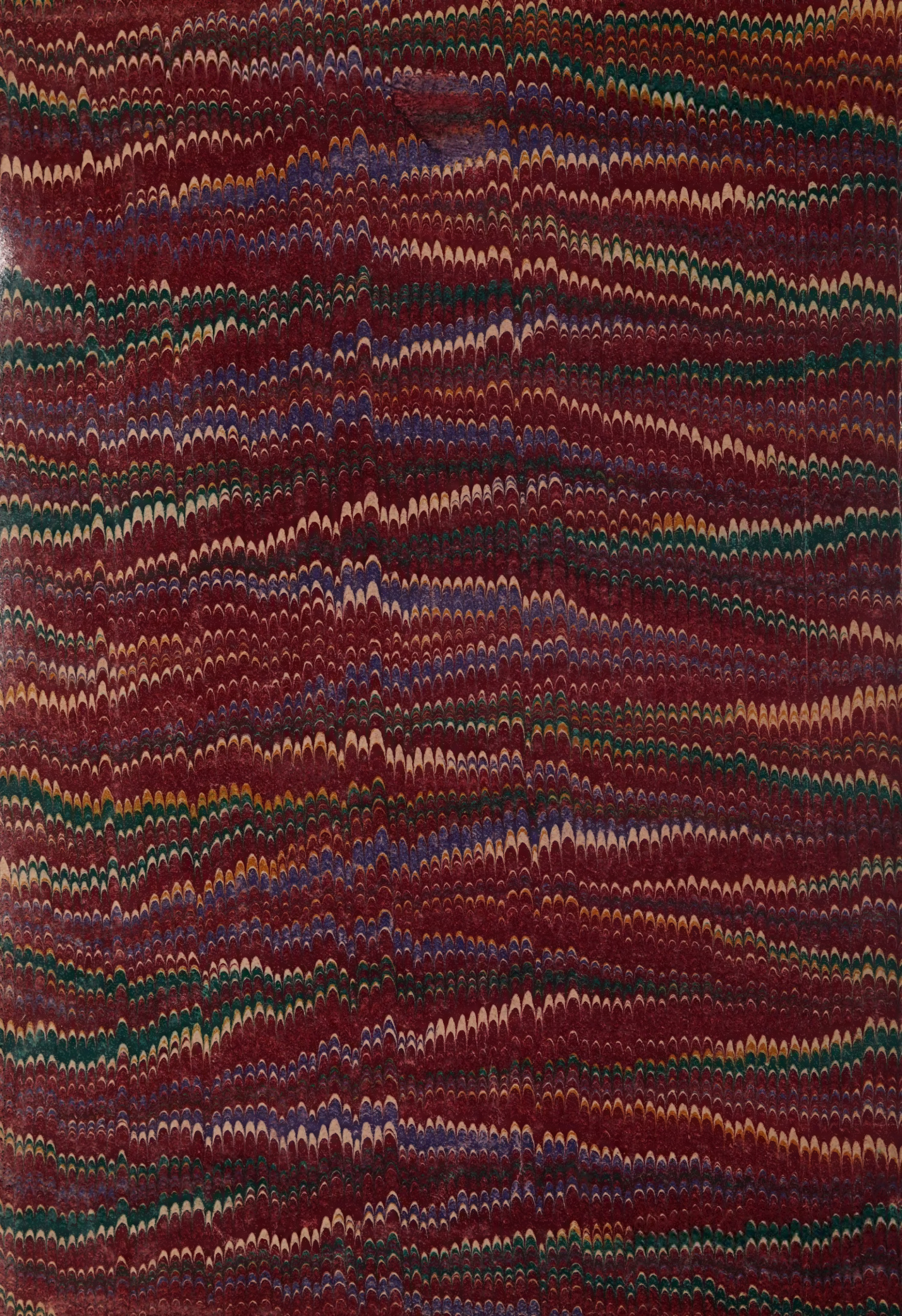
Fred E. Gillis began to shingle the Church July 19, 1920.